Virtual Presentation (in English) on May 26, 2026: Prof. TU Guangjian on China’s Shift on Foreign State Immunity and its Legal Implications for ‘One Country, Two Systems

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Professor Tu has provided the following abstract of his talk:

Abstract: China’s recent adoption of the Law of the People’s Republic of China on Foreign State Immunity marks a major shift from the principle of absolute state immunity to that of restrictive state immunity. Largely motivated by the desire to align more closely with the norms of the international community, this move has raised some fundamental issues in the legal arrangements between the Chinese Central Authority and Hong Kong and Macau, its two special administrative regions (SAR), which are administered under the ‘One Country, Two Systems’ formula. Before the adoption of the Chinese Foreign State Immunity Law (CFSIL), the principle of absolute immunity, which was used in Mainland China, was introduced into the SARs through a lawsuit in Hong Kong. With the adoption of the new law, a number of questions have arisen regarding its implementation in

Hong Kong and Macau and the legal arrangements between the Chinese Central Authority and the two SARs.