

### **Hugh MacMahon**

For many years, Hugh has been the Manager of the Hong Kong Office which promotes and supports foreign teachers of English in China. He has decided to step aside and to continue in an active rôle in Ireland with duties still compatible with his abilities and interests.

Hugh has had the responsibility of placing teachers in Universities that are less-affluent; he has visited colleges over the vast area of China satisfying himself, his teachers and the authorities. In this capacity, he has won the confidence and respect of the parties involved. His patience and firmness have gone hand-in-hand. In absences from his office he has relied on the quality and kindness of his long-serving secretary Rita, to whom nothing was a trouble.

The AITECE Committee had the pleasure of welcoming Hugh to Sydney at the quarterly meeting in March (referred to elsewhere in the Newsletter) when he took the opportunity to expand on recent trends and difficulties in engaging teachers for China.

*Brian Jeffers*