

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Multicultural Media Internship Grant awarded**

Mr Chin Tan, the Chairperson of the Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC), will present a \$5000 Multicultural Media Internship grant to Mr Aamer Rahman, an intern with the Multicultural Media Exchange tomorrow, Friday 20 July 2012.

The Multicultural Media Internship Program is administered by the VMC, and was launched in 2012 by the Victorian Government to help support multicultural media organisations to deliver work experience, professional development training and leadership to aspiring journalists.

Mr Chin Tan, said "Victoria's multicultural media organisations provide a powerful voice for our culturally and linguistically diverse communities.

"My hope is that the Multicultural Media Internship Program will help increase the knowledge of journalists from new and emerging backgrounds about the operations of multicultural media, and help to develop their skills through hands-on experience in diverse media organisations", Mr Tan said.

Previous recipients have included interns at Australian Chinese TV, the Serbian Voice Newspaper, long-standing Greek newspaper Neos Cosmos and SBS Victoria.

Through the VMC a total of five grants of \$5,000 each were made available for application by multicultural media organisations working in television, newspaper, radio or online publishing. The application and selection process took place earlier this year.

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