<u>Attempted murder and suicide in Wan</u> Chai

Police are investigating an attempted murder and suicide case happened in Wan Chai last night (July 1) in which a 50-year-old man died and a male police officer was seriously injured.

At 10.05pm, the 50-year-old man attacked a male police officer from behind with a knife outside 555 Hennessy Road and then stabbed himself in the chest with the knife. Facing threats to life, three police officers withdrew pistols and stayed on guard. The man was subdued afterwards. Sustaining serious chest injury, the man was rushed to Ruttonjee Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 11.20pm.

The male officer sustained serious back injury and was sent to Queen Mary hospital for treatment.

A knife in suspected connection with the case was seized at scene.

Active investigation by the Regional Crime Unit of Hong Kong Island is underway.

Police strongly condemn such violent act that seriously endanger the lives of others. Police reiterate that no violent behaviour will be tolerated. Police will continue to take resolute enforcement action so as to safeguard public safety.