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The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) released today (July 31) the analytical data on the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's foreign currency reserves and foreign currency liquidity as at the end of June 2023 (Annex). These data are published monthly in the Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS).

At present, four press releases relating to the Exchange Fund's data are issued by the HKMA each month. Three of these releases are issued to disseminate monetary data in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's SDDS. The fourth press release, on the Exchange Fund's Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account, is made in accordance with the HKMA's policy of maintaining a high level of transparency. For the month of July 2023, the scheduled dates for issuing the press releases are as follows:

July 7 (Issued)	SDDS International Reserves (Hong Kong's Latest Foreign Currency Reserve Assets Figures)
July 14 (Issued)	SDDS Analytical Accounts of the Central Bank (Analytical Accounts of the Exchange Fund)
July 31	SDDS Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity
July 31	Exchange Fund Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account

[Secretary for Health attends kick-off ceremony of Medical Experience Camp of University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Hospital \(with photos\)](#)

The Secretary for Health, Professor Lo Chung-mau, attended the kick-off ceremony of the Greater Bay Area Medical Experience Camp 2023 of the University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Hospital in Shenzhen today (July 31) and

encouraged youngsters who have a passion to practise in the healthcare profession to work hard to equip themselves so as to get well-prepared for serving the society and people with healthcare needs in the future.

Organised into two sessions during July and August, the Camp aims to enrich students with the sense of safeguarding lives and well-being of people by allowing them to learn more about the professional work of healthcare personnel through a five-day on-the-job experience. Some 50 students from the Mainland, Hong Kong and Macao have signed up for the Camp.

Addressing the ceremony, Professor Lo urged students who are passionate in joining the healthcare profession to keep their faith and aspiration in becoming a healthcare professional and always serve the best interests of patients when safeguarding citizens' health.

Professor Lo also reminded the students to be mindful of the mission and responsibilities as the young generation. He said, "President Xi Jinping in his letter replying to Hong Kong secondary school students called on the students to delve into the history and culture of the country and national affairs, as well as strengthening their affection for and sense of belonging to the country. He also urged the students to sharpen their skills and abilities such that they can shoulder great responsibilities and make contributions to building an even better Hong Kong and advancing national rejuvenation."

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government has been actively promoting exchanges and collaboration between the Mainland and Hong Kong in the healthcare area at different levels. The Camp sets a perfect example of fostering exchanges among outstanding secondary school students from Hong Kong, Macao and the Mainland, while allowing them to experience in person the collaboration between healthcare professionals from Shenzhen and Hong Kong and get a better glimpse of the nation's healthcare development.

"Looking back, the Mainland mobilised a medical support team to assist Hong Kong in treating COVID-19 patients at a time when the city was hard hit by the epidemic. The seamless collaboration of Mainland and Hong Kong medical teams reinforced the healthcare co-operation between the two places. The HKSAR Government will continue to press ahead with the healthcare exchanges between the two places while further expanding the scope thereof. It is my wish that through various channels of exchanges and learning at different levels, a sustainable mechanism for healthcare professionals and the young people of the Mainland and Hong Kong will be in place for them to draw on experience of each other," Professor Lo said.

"In the long-run, the healthcare exchange programmes of the two places will be conducive to enhancing the overall quality of healthcare services in the Greater Bay Area (GBA). The Health Bureau will keep pursuing co-operation with various cities of the GBA under the principles of complementarity and mutual benefits and on the premise of benefitting the healthcare development of both the Mainland and Hong Kong."

Professor Lo also met with officials of the Shenzhen Municipal Health

Commission to exchange views on deepening medical collaboration between Shenzhen and Hong Kong before departing from Shenzhen.



Evening dental services of Wan Chai Dental Clinic of DH to be suspended from tomorrow

The Department of Health (DH) announced today (July 31) that the evening dental services of Wan Chai Dental Clinic will be suspended from tomorrow (August 1) until further notice due to staffing deployment. Other daytime services at the clinic will not be affected. The DH will inform users with prior appointments of the affected services and make separate arrangements for them.

For enquiries about evening dental services of other clinics, please refer to the following website: www.dh.gov.hk/english/clinictimetable/dc.htm.

[Fraudulent website related to Bank of China \(Hong Kong\) Limited](#)

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The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) wishes to alert members of the public to a press release issued by Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited relating to a fraudulent website, which has been reported to the HKMA. A hyperlink to the press release is available on the [HKMA website](#).

The HKMA wishes to remind the public that banks will not send SMS or emails with embedded hyperlinks which direct them to the banks' websites to carry out transactions. They will not ask customers for sensitive personal information, such as login passwords or one-time password, by phone, email or SMS (including via embedded hyperlinks).

Anyone who has provided his or her personal information, or who has conducted any financial transactions, through or in response to the website concerned, should contact the bank using the contact information provided in the press release, and report the matter to the Police by contacting the Crime Wing Information Centre of the Hong Kong Police Force at 2860 5012.

[Effective Exchange Rate Index](#)

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Monday, July 31, 2023 is 103.9 (same as last Saturday's index).

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Saturday, July 29, 2023 was 103.9 (same as last Friday's index).