### Fatal traffic accident in Sai Kung

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Sai Kung today (July 28) in which an 89-year-old man died.

At 5.52am, a light goods vehicle (LGV) driven by a 27-year-old man was travelling along Hiram's Highway towards Sai Kung. When approaching Tai Chung Hau Road, the LGV reportedly knocked down the 89-year-old man who was crossing the road.

The man was trapped under the LGV and was subsequently rescued by firemen. Sustaining multiple injuries, he was rushed to Tseung Kwan O Hospital in unconscious state and was certified dead at 6.38am.

After investigation, the LGV was found overloaded. The LGV driver was arrested for dangerous driving causing death and overloading. He is being detained for further enquiries.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, Kowloon East is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 0262 or 3661 0260.

# <u>Appointment of Chairman of Operations</u> <u>Review Committee of ICAC</u>

The Government announced today (July 28) that the Chief Executive has appointed Mr Bernard Charnwut Chan as the Chairman of the Operations Review Committee (ORC) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), and also an ex-officio member of the Advisory Committee on Corruption (ACOC) in his capacity as the Chairman of the ORC. The appointments took effect from today until December 31, 2023.

Mr Chan is currently serving as a member of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee and the Honours and Non-official Justices of the Peace Selection Committee.

The ORC oversees all ICAC investigations. It reviews corruption complaints received and investigations conducted by the ICAC to ensure that they are handled effectively and efficiently. It also examines circumstances where search warrants are authorised by the Commissioner, where persons have been put on bail for more than six months, and where investigations have been lasting more than a year or are requiring substantial resources.

The ACOC advises the Commissioner of the ICAC on any aspects of the problem of corruption in Hong Kong, and keeps the operational, staffing and administrative policies of the ICAC under review.

The Government expresses its gratitude to the former Chairman of the ORC, Mr Paul Lam Ting-kwok, who has taken the office of Secretary for Justice, for his valuable contributions to the work of the above committees.

The updated non-official membership lists of the two ICAC advisory committees mentioned above are at the Annex.

#### **Effective Exchange Rate Index**

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Thursday, July 28, 2022 is 100.6 (down 0.4 against yesterday's index).

## <u>Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool</u> <u>temporarily closed</u>

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (July 28) that Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool in Yuen Long District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of vomit in the pool.

It will be reopened at 7.30pm today.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep the swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.

# Malaysian durian and tropical fruit planter, manufacturer and exporter opens first regional office in Hong Kong

â€<Malaysian durian and tropical fruit planter, manufacturer and exporter Top Fruits Sdn Bhd announced today (July 28) that it has opened its first regional office in Hong Kong, leveraging the city's free trade port status to expand its durian and tropical fruit exporting business in the region.

Top Fruits is one of the largest single-owner agricultural planters in Malaysia, with more than 30 years of plantation experience in the country and managing 500 acres of planting land. Its products are mainly durians as well as other tropical fruits like mangosteen, rambutan, jackfruit and more, being exported to more than 20 countries around the world, according to the Director of Business Development of Top Fruits Supply (HK) Limited, Ms Elishah Tan.

Ms Tan said, "Hong Kong is a free trade port situated in the heart of Asia. It gives us easy access to other Southeast Asian countries. That's why we chose Hong Kong as the first place outside of Malaysia to expand our business in the region."

She added, "Hong Kong people love durians. We see an increasing demand for durians in Hong Kong market. By setting up our first regional office in the city, we can expand our export business with not just fresh durians but also our downstream products like cakes and gelatos. We also plan to expand our business to supermarkets and perhaps venture into the food and beverage market and open our very own retail store in the city."

Associate Director-General of Investment Promotion Mr Charles Ng said, "Hong Kong is a free global trade port with close links to the Mainland and the rest of Asia. It is the ideal place for Top Fruits to set up its first regional office. We wish it every success in Hong Kong and beyond."

#### About Top Fruits Sdn Bhd

Founded in 1986, Top Fruits Sdn Bhd is a fast-growing durian and tropical fruit planter, manufacturer and exporter specialising in multivariety durians and other tropical fruits plantations. Its farm has been awarded Malaysia Good Agriculture Practice certification. Its products have received certification like Food Safety System Certification 22000, Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point and more from international top-quality governing bodies. For more information, please visit topfruits.com.my.

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