# Phishing instant messages related to Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited

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

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) wishes to alert members of the public to a press release issued by Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Limited relating to phishing instant messages, which have 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 instant messages 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.

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# STL welcomes International Chamber of Shipping to organise high-level global summit during Hong Kong Maritime Week 2024 (with photos)

The Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Mr Lam Sai-hung, and the Secretary General of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), Mr Guy Platten, met today (May 28) to exchange views about the latest developments in the global maritime industry.

At the meeting, Mr Lam shared about the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government (HKSARG)'s continuous efforts to reinforce Hong Kong's position as the world's leading international maritime centre, in particular the promulgation of the Action Plan on Maritime and Port Development Strategy in December 2023, which sets out key strategies and action measures to support the maritime and port industry.

Given the rapidly evolving maritime trends, from sustainability goals to technological advancements, Mr Lam and Mr Platten agreed that there is a need to enhance collaboration among different stakeholders within the industry. In this regard, Mr Lam welcomed the ICS's plan to organise a high-level Global Maritime Trade Summit in November in Hong Kong this year, which aims to facilitate dialogues and co-operation among industry leaders and policymakers worldwide on topical issues concerning global trade and shipping. Mr Lam highlighted that it is also opportune for the Summit to be staged as one of the pivotal events in the Hong Kong Maritime Week (HKMW) 2024.

"As an international maritime centre, Hong Kong is well positioned to serve as a global platform that fosters cross-border exchange and synergy. We express our gratitude for the ICS's continuous support for the Hong Kong maritime industry, as revealed by its active participation in the annual flagship event HKMW over the past several years. Hong Kong looks forward to welcoming the Summit later this year," said Mr Lam.

The Summit is scheduled to be held during the HKMW 2024 and will gather industry leaders, policymakers, business executives, and experts from different maritime sub-sectors across the globe. The Summit will explore innovative solutions to address the most pressing challenges facing the maritime industry, including promoting efficiency, sustainability, and resilience in global trade and shipping.

â€<The HKMW is in its eighth edition this year. Organised by the Hong Kong Maritime Port Board with the sponsorship of the HKSARG, the HKMW is a major annual event in Hong Kong during which maritime leaders from home and abroad take part in a week of activities that showcase Hong Kong as an international maritime centre. Co-organisers of the event are the Hong Kong Shipowners Association and the Hong Kong Maritime Museum, together with the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and Invest Hong Kong as partners. The HKMW 2024 will be staged from November 17 to 23, 2024, and will feature a diverse range of maritime-themed conferences, events and activities.



