

CE meets Commander-in-chief of Hong Kong Garrison (with photo)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, met the Commander-in-chief of the Chinese People's Liberation Army Hong Kong Garrison, Major General Peng Jingtang, at Government House this morning (January 10). The Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Mr Chan Kwok-ki, also attended the meeting.

Mrs Lam welcomed Major General Peng's assumption of office in Hong Kong. She said that the Hong Kong Garrison is a symbol of national sovereignty and has been performing its functions and responsibilities in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) in strict accordance with the Basic Law, the Law of the People's Republic of China on the Garrisoning of the HKSAR and other relevant laws. The Hong Kong Garrison has always been well-disciplined and law-abiding, providing staunch support for maintaining the long-term prosperity and stability of the HKSAR.

Mrs Lam said that the Hong Kong Garrison has been committed to deepening communication and exchanges with Hong Kong society, participating in charitable activities in the community as well as organising frequently such activities as open days for its military sites, summer camps for youths and tertiary students. Such interaction enhances the understanding of national defence and the armed forces among various sectors of Hong Kong, encouraging the respect and fond regard from members of the public.

Mrs Lam said she believes that the Hong Kong Garrison, under the leadership of Major General Peng, will continue to uphold its excellent tradition of contributing to the HKSAR, working with the HKSAR Government to jointly safeguard the sovereignty, security and development interests of the nation and help maintain the long-term prosperity and stability of Hong Kong.

