

CE meets Governor of Hunan Province (with photo)

The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, met the Governor of Hunan Province, Mr Mao Weiming, today (May 29) to exchange views on deepening Hong Kong's co-operation with Hunan. Also attending the meeting were the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Chan Kwok-ki; the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Erick Tsang Kwok-wai; and the Director of the Chief Executive's Office, Ms Carol Yip.

Mr Lee welcomed Mr Mao's visit to Hong Kong with his delegation to organise the 2023 Hunan-Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) Investment and Trade Conference Week with the theme of connecting to the GBA to jointly promote new developments. Mr Lee said he was pleased to note that Hunan Province will continue to embrace the opportunities brought about by the GBA development and further strengthen economic and trade co-operation with the GBA.

He said that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government had set up the Hunan Liaison Unit as early as 2016 to deepen co-operation between the two places in various aspects, including economic matters and trade, culture, and tourism, and to provide support for Hong Kong people and enterprises in Hunan. He expressed gratitude to the People's Government of Hunan Province for its strong support for the work of the liaison unit over the years, noting that the HKSAR Government will continue to promote mutual exchanges and co-operation through the liaison unit.

Mr Lee also pointed out that there is plenty of room for collaboration in tourism between Hong Kong and Hunan, citing Hunan's rich tourism resources and Hong Kong's well-developed tourism service industry. With convenient transportation between Hong Kong and Hunan, the two places can jointly promote multi-destination tourism to overseas visitors to tie in with the development of the GBA as a world-class bay area for leisure, promoting the overall development of the tourism industry and achieving complementarity and mutual benefits.

