<u>Cluster of Influenza A cases in Kwai</u> <u>Chung Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson of Kwai Chung Hospital made the following announcement today (July 5):

Three patients (aged 28 to 69) of a female psychiatric ward presented with upper respiratory tract symptoms since July 2. Appropriate viral tests were arranged for the patients and their test results were positive for Influenza A. Treatment is being given to the patients concerned, who are all in stable condition.

Admission to the ward and visiting have been suspended. Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance.

The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up.