CS continues visit to UK

The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, today (September 28, London time) continued his visit in London, the United Kingdom (UK).

In the morning, Mr Cheung visited a social enterprise that provides vocational training and job placements for youths to gain a better understanding of the measures introduced by the UK to nurture the younger generation, thereby assisting them in seizing future opportunities and contributing to the long-term development of society.

He stressed that the current-term Hong Kong Special Administrative (HKSAR) Government attached great importance to youth development work and strived to address young people's concerns about education, career pursuit and home ownership, and encouraged their participation in politics as well as public policy discussion and debate, with a view to giving the young generation opportunities for upward mobility.

"We are hopeful that our young people can develop a positive outlook on life, a commitment to society, a sense of national identity, a love for Hong Kong and an international perspective. The Youth Development Council which is under my chairmanship will organise regular youth engagement activities to listen to their views, including regular visits to schools and district youth organisations for direct dialogue with young people of different backgrounds," he said.

Mr Cheung also met Hong Kong students studying in the UK, including scholars under the Hong Kong Scholarship for Excellence Scheme. He emphasised that Hong Kong would actively participate in the Belt and Road Initiative as well as the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area development to create new opportunities for the younger generation. He encouraged the students to return to Hong Kong after graduation to contribute to the city's long-term development.

Mr Cheung then addressed a luncheon organised by the Hong Kong Association. In his speech, he provided an overview on the latest position of Hong Kong including Hong Kong's strength in arts and culture as well as the city'slatest I&T development.

Mr Cheung will leave London in the evening today and arrive in Hong Kong in the afternoon of September 29 (Hong Kong time).