

CS inspects prevention and control measures at airport (with photos)

The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, today (January 8) visited Hong Kong International Airport to inspect the prevention and control measures adopted in response to the cluster of pneumonia cases detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province.ä€€

At the gate of a flight from Wuhan, Mr Cheung, accompanied by the Chief Executive Officer of the Airport Authority Hong Kong, Mr Fred Lam; the Chief Port Health Officer of the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health, Dr Leung Yiu-hong; and the Executive Director, Airport Operations, of the Airport Authority Hong Kong, Mrs Vivian Cheung, observed officers of the Port Health Division of the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health inspecting temperatures of travellers concerned by using thermal imaging system.

He was also briefed on the enforcement of prevention and control measures at the airport and expressed warmest gratitude to the officers for their dedication in safeguarding the health of the public and travellers.

Mr Cheung stressed that whilst no serious pneumonia cases related to those in Wuhan have been detected in Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government has strengthened prevention and control measures on all fronts including enhancing health surveillance measures at all boundary control points.

He added that, at an earlier meeting of the inter-departmental action task force under his chairmanship, he instructed all relevant government departments to stay vigilant and step up cleaning efforts at public facilities under their purview.

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Mr Cheung also appealed to members of the public to maintain good personal and environmental hygiene. Those with symptoms of respiratory illness are advised to wear surgical masks, avoid going to crowded places and seek medical advice as soon as possible.

