## <u>Delegation of judges and judicial</u> <u>officers departs for Beijing for</u> <u>exchange visit</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Judiciary:

A delegation of judges and judicial officers from the Hong Kong Judiciary departed for Beijing for an exchange visit programme today (October 29). The programme is part of the on-going professional exchanges between the Hong Kong and Mainland judges and judicial officers.

The delegation includes 17 judges and judicial officers. It is led by Mr Justice Jeremy Poon Shiu-chor, Chief Judge of the High Court, with Mr Justice Johnson Lam Man-hon, Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal, as the deputy head. During the visit to Beijing, the delegation will engage in exchanges and attend discussion forums and thematic talks on topics that include the Constitution and the Basic Law, judicial system, experience in handling litigations, mutual legal assistance between the Mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, and the latest developments of the country. There will also be visits to court facilities and facilities relating to technology and culture, etc.

The delegation will conclude the visit and return to Hong Kong on November 5.