

# Government condemns rumour monger

In response to various rumours recently that there are shortages of goods such as rice and toilet papers, leading to panic buying and even chaos, a Government spokesman today (February 5) expresses regret over the malicious act of spreading rumours when the city is fighting against the disease, and condemns those rumour mongers with evil intentions.

The spokesman stresses that the Government's measures in disease prevention and control will not affect the freight services between the Mainland and Hong Kong. Besides, the Government has confirmed with the major suppliers that the supply of food products remains normal and there is no shortage of food. There are sufficient stocks of staple food including rice and pastas. There is no need for the public to worry.

The spokesman appeals to members of the public to be vigilant against rumours and pay attention to information released by the Government so as to avoid being misled by rumours.