<u>Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay</u> <u>Area Policing Cooperation Forum</u>

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Policing Cooperation Forum was held in Foshan city yesterday (September 6). Led by the Commissioner of Police, Mr Lo Wai-chung, representatives of the Hong Kong Police Force met with the Guangdong and Macao delegations respectively headed by the Director of Guangdong Provincial Public Security Department (GD PSD), Mr Li Chun-sheng, and the Secretary for Security of Macao, Mr Wong Siochak. After the Forum, Mr Lo officiated at the prize presentation cum closing ceremony of the 18th Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Police and Security Forces Sports Exchange.

At the Forum, representatives from the three places discuss the establishment of a Greater Bay Area police cooperation mechanism, as well as issues on combating cross-boundary crime, mounting joint operations and organising police training programmes.

The Hong Kong delegation included Director of Personnel and Training, Mr Li Kin-fai, Director of Management Services, Mr Kwok Yam-shu and Director of Crime and Security, Mr Li Chi-hang. The Mainland delegates came from GD PSD and Public Security Bureaux of nine cities included in the Greater Bay Area project. The Macao delegates were from the Office of the Secretary for Security, Unitary Police Service, Customs Service, Public Security Forces Affairs Bureau, Public Security Police, Judiciary Police and Fire Services Bureau.

Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao police have been in close cooperation for years. In the course of developing the Greater Bay Area, the Hong Kong Police Force will continue to closely liaise with Guangdong and Macao counterparts and join hands in combating cross-boundary criminal activities.

The delegation returned to Hong Kong this afternoon (September 7).