HA announces a staff member of HA Head Office tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for the Hospital Authority (HA) made the following announcement today (February 24) regarding a staff member of HA Head Office (HAHO) tested preliminarily positive for COVID-19:

A staff member of the Information Technology and Health Informatics Division of HAHO presented with symptoms of infection on Monday evening (February 22). She obtained specimen collection pack yesterday (February 23) and the specimen test result was preliminary positive for COVID-19. The staff is mainly responsible for administrative work and has no contact with patients. Her last duty day was yesterday. According to contact tracing, three staff members from HAHO who had meals with the staff concerned are identified as close contact and will be quarantined.

Thorough cleaning and disinfection have been arranged for the office concerned located in Block R of Kowloon Hospital. The HA will continue to closely monitor the health condition of other staff members and communicate with the Centre for Health Protection on latest progress.