

HK to implement one-stop boundary control at cross-border railway station

The government of China's Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) on Tuesday announced a one-stop boundary control arrangement at the cross-border railway station in West Kowloon.

The move allows passengers to go through the customs, immigration and quarantine (CIQ) procedures of both Hong Kong and the Chinese mainland successively at the West Kowloon Station (WKS) in Hong Kong, according to the implementation plan announced at a press conference.

The implementation plan was approved earlier Tuesday by members of the Executive Council of the HKSAR.

Under the arrangement, CIQ officials from the Chinese mainland will work in a designated area at the WKS building after the commissioning of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link.

The arrangement is similar to the co-located immigration and customs facilities at the Shenzhen Bay Port, which has been welcomed by many travelers since it was commissioned in 2007.