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The Director of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in New York, Ms Maisie Ho, paid a duty visit to Atlanta, Georgia, on November 8 and 9 (Atlanta time) to strengthen ties with the local government and business interlocutors.

Ms Ho also attended the AAPI Business Forum on opportunities in Asia, co-organised by the Hong Kong Association of Atlanta and Metro Atlanta Chamber this morning (November 9, Atlanta time), during which she highlighted Hong Kong's unique advantages and the abundant opportunities for multinational companies.

Addressing executives from the business, finance and legal sectors, Ms Ho said that Hong Kong continues to be a leading international finance centre and prime investment hub.

"With our strategic location, supreme connectivity, robust legal and financial systems, and business-friendly policies as backed up by the 'one country, two systems' principle, Hong Kong is one of the world's top four international financial centres, and is a dominant gateway to Mainland China and other Asian markets," she said.

Ms Ho also pointed out that Hong Kong, well known for its resilience and agility, continues to find its growth drivers despite the macro challenges, including being Asia's biggest international listing venue for new economy and biotech companies, and a leader in green and sustainable finance, accounting for one-third of green and sustainable bonds issued in Asia.

During her stay in Atlanta, Ms Ho met with local business and government officials to discuss areas of mutual interest. The officials included the Vice President, Global Commerce at the Metro Atlanta Chamber, Mr John Woodward; the Deputy Commissioner for International Trade of the Georgia Department of Economic Development, Ms Mary Waters; and the Executive Director of the Mayor's Office of International Affairs, Ms Vanessa Ibarra.

