## HKSAR Government strongly condemns DemosistÅ@ for forcibly hanging demonstration banner at CGO flagstaff platform

A Government spokesman strongly condemned an intrusion by individuals of DemosistÅ® today (January 23) into the East Wing Forecourt of the Central Government Offices (CGO), where they forcibly hung a demonstration banner on the flagstaff platform despite the advice and warnings issued by security personnel at the scene, resulting in a security guard being injured and damage to some plants.

The Government respects the rights of the public to express their views, but the effective, secure and smooth operation of the CGO should be safeguarded at the same time. The flagstaff platform in the CGO East Wing Forecourt has never been part of the area specified for public meetings/processions.

Regrettably, some individuals from DemosistÅ® forcibly hung a demonstration banner on the flagstaff platform this morning despite the advice and warnings issued by security personnel at the scene, resulting in a security guard being injured and damage to some plants.

The Administration Wing reported the case to the Police, who are now investigating it.