HKSAR Government strongly supports Police in putting persons at large alleged to have violated National Security Law on wanted list

A spokesman for the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) today (December 14) said that the HKSAR Government strongly supports the National Security Department of the Hong Kong Police Force in taking actions in accordance with the law by putting on the wanted list five persons who have absconded overseas and allegedly committed offences under the Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the HKSAR (National Security Law).

"Safeguarding national sovereignty, security and development interests is the top priority of the principle of 'one country, two systems', as well as the responsibility of the HKSAR. The HKSAR Government will discharge steadfastly the duty and obligation in safeguarding national security to prevent, suppress and impose punishment for acts and activities endangering national security in accordance with the National Security Law and other relevant laws. The wanted persons with reward notices have repeatedly engaged in acts and activities that endanger national security publicly, including advocating to achieve 'Hong Kong independence' through 'force' and requesting foreign countries to impose so-called 'sanctions' on officials of the Central Government and the HKSAR Government as well as judicial and law enforcement personnel. The HKSAR Government must fight head-on to fulfil its constitutional duty in safeguarding national security and uphold the principle of 'one country, two systems' and the spirit of the rule of law," the spokesman said.

"Fugitives should not take any chances or have any delusion that they could evade criminal liabilities by absconding from Hong Kong. The HKSAR Government will take all necessary measures in accordance with the law to bring them to justice and make every effort to safeguard national security," the spokesman emphasised.