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The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government today (July 8) condemns the so-called "continuation of the national emergency with respect to Hong Kong" announced by the White House, describing it as a continuation of the United States (US)' blatant interference in the internal affairs of the People's Republic of China (PRC).

"For well over a year, the US has been adopting a totally unjustified stance with regard to actions taken by the HKSAR Government in enforcing the National Security Law and making outrageous statements that blatantly disregarded the rule of law. By so doing, the US is clearly breaching international law and the basic norms underpinning international relations. Those unilateral measures under its President's executive order issued in July 2020 targeting the PRC and the HKSAR, which include the so-called sanctions against officials of the Central People's Government and the HKSAR Government, are barbaric acts reflecting the self-proclaimed US supremacy," a Government spokesman said.

"Such despicable actions taken by the US have achieved nothing but harmed the relations and common interests between the PRC and the US, and that of the HKSAR and the US, causing damage to the companies and people of the US. It is regretful, though not inconceivable, that the new US administration has chosen to continue this wrongful path."

The Government spokesman reiterated that taking account of the severe situation in the HKSAR posing national security risks, the Central Authorities have made timely and necessary Decisions to enact the National Security Law and to improve the electoral system in the HKSAR.

"Since its implementation in June 2020, the positive effect of the National Security Law in restoring peace and stability and safeguarding individual rights and freedoms in the HKSAR is there for all to see. As for the improvement to the electoral system, it has plugged the loopholes and will ensure 'patriots administering Hong Kong'. This is in line with international norm as no country in the world would allow its governance power to be vested in people who are not patriotic and who will endanger the interests of the country. Both Decisions by the Central Authorities will go a long way towards ensuring the faithful implementation of 'One Country, Two Systems' in the HKSAR."

"We urge the US to immediately stop interfering in the internal affairs of the PRC and the HKSAR," said the spokesman.