Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled electronic parts worth about \$8 million (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs today (November 28) seized approximately 8 000 pieces of suspected smuggled electronic parts, including central processing units and computer RAM units, with a total estimated market value of about \$8 million at the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port.

Based on risk assessment, Customs intercepted a suspicious outgoing private car at the control point this early morning. Upon examination, Customs officers seized the batch of suspected smuggled electronic parts inside the boot of the vehicle. A 37-year-old male driver and a 37-year-old male passenger suspected to be connected with the case were arrested.

An investigation is ongoing.

Customs will continue to combat smuggling activities by use of crossboundary private cars with firm enforcement action based on risk assessment and intelligence analysis.

Smuggling is a serious offence. Under the Import and Export Ordinance, any person found guilty of importing or exporting unmanifested cargo is liable to a maximum fine of \$2 million and imprisonment for seven years.

Members of the public may report any suspected smuggling activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (<u>crimereport@customs.gov.hk</u>) or online form (<u>eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002</u>).

