

Hongkong Post welcomes “Implementation Opinions on the Promotion of the Development of Postal Industry of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area” formulated by State Post Bureau

â€‹Hongkong Post today (December 24) welcomed the "Implementation Opinions on the Promotion of the Development of Postal Industry of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area" promulgated jointly by the State Post Bureau, the National Development and Reform Commission, the Ministry of Transport, the Ministry of Commerce and the General Administration of Customs earlier this week.

The proposals put forth in the Implementation Opinions include establishing a smooth and highly efficient delivery network, assisting the postal administrations of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao in strengthening complementarity of advantages in the conveyance and handling of inward and outward airmail, leveraging on the express logistics network of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area to give full play to the advantages of land transport through the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, reinforcing Hong Kong's status as an international hub for air freight, and assisting in the expansion of import and export business of cross-border e-commerce.

A spokesperson for Hongkong Post said, "The development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area presents key opportunities for the advancement of the postal industry. We have been participating actively in the discussions on promoting the development of the postal industry in the Greater Bay Area, and we will lend our full support in establishing the Greater Bay Area as the leading zone for the innovation and development of the postal industry of our country and as the new impetus for the high-quality development of the postal industry. The Implementation Opinions consider that the postal administrations of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao could enhance their international competitiveness in stages by strengthening their delivery networks, the use of technology and the like, enabling the postal administrations of the three places to basically establish a delivery service system that suits the framework for an international first-class bay area and world-class city cluster by 2025. Hongkong Post welcomes the initiatives proposed."

The Hongkong Post spokesperson continued, "The booming growth of e-commerce has generated demand for cross-border logistics services. We will capitalise on the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's advantages as an international aviation and shipping hub and fully support the e-commerce and postal logistics of the Mainland, Hong Kong and Macao to go global. Now mail

items of China Post can be transported from the Mainland to the Air Mail Centre (AMC) at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) by land, and then redirected to the rest of the world through the aviation network of HKIA. Hongkong Post will also seize the opportunity in planning the redevelopment of the AMC by striving to put in place hardware and software facilities, now under development, that help expand the business opportunities for postal development in the Greater Bay Area."

Hongkong Post's spokesperson added, "We are pleased to see that the State Post Bureau has accepted our proposal to implement single-window customs clearance for mail entering the Mainland, which would facilitate customs clearance and tax payment online for e-commerce express items and enhance customs clearance facilitation to foster e-commerce development further in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao."

Hongkong Post will take an active part in the future discussion of any ad hoc groups, and hopes that the postal administrations of Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao could join hands in promoting innovation, co-ordination, green development, opening up and more to achieve the goal of complementing the advantages of each other, establishing a mutually complementary co-operation relationship, and jointly taking forward the postal development in the Greater Bay Area and international postal exchange through in-depth exchange and collaboration.