<u>International Reserves and Foreign</u> <u>Currency Liquidity</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) released today (October 31) the analytical data on the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's foreign currency reserves and foreign currency liquidity as at the end of September 2019 (Annex). These data are published monthly in the Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard.

Release calendar

The release calendar of the Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity for 2020 is announced below:

Reference Month Release Date January 2020 February 28, 2020 February 2020 March 31, 2020 March 2020 April 29, 2020 May 29, 2020 April 2020 May 2020 June 30, 2020 June 2020 July 31, 2020 July 2020 August 31, 2020 September 30, 2020 August 2020 September 2020 October 30, 2020 October 2020 November 30, 2020 November 2020 December 31, 2020 December 2020 January 29, 2021

At present, four press releases relating to the Exchange Fund's data are issued by the HKMA each month. Three of these releases are issued to disseminate monetary data in accordance with the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS). The fourth press release, on the Exchange Fund's Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account, is made in accordance with the HKMA's policy of maintaining a high level of transparency. For the month of October 2019, the scheduled dates for issuing the press releases are as follows:

October 8 (Issued)	SDDS International Reserves (Hong Kong's Latest Foreign Currency Reserve Assets Figures)
October 14 (Issued)	SDDS Analytical Accounts of the Central Bank (Analytical Accounts of the Exchange Fund)
October 31	SDDS Template on International Reserves and Foreign Currency Liquidity
October 31	Exchange Fund Abridged Balance Sheet and Currency Board Account