<u>LegCo delegation continues study visit</u> <u>in Xiamen (with photos)</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The delegation of the Legislative Council (LegCo) led by the President of LegCo, Mr Andrew Leung, continued its study visit in Fujian Province and visited Xiamen today (July 18).

In the morning, the delegation visited the Xiamen campus of Huaqiao University, where they first listened to an introduction of the school's development by students studying in the university. The delegation also learnt about the university's vision in nurturing talents and toured the campus's facilities. Members noted that Huaqiao University adheres to the education policy of "facing overseas, facing Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan", and it is one of the Mainland universities with the highest number of Hong Kong students. Currently, Huaqiao University has over 7,600 students from overseas countries as well as from Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan, among these students more than 2,900 are from Hong Kong. The delegation also talked to a number of university students from Hong Kong to understand their learning situation and lives there.

In the afternoon, the delegation visited Gulangyu Island to learn about the unique architecture on the island that combines both Chinese and foreign features, as well as efforts by local authorities to promote local history, culture and the development of tourism industry. Members learnt that Gulangyu Island was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2017 and is rated as a national 5A tourist attraction, which is the result of the city's heritage conservation efforts.

Hong Kong is the largest source of external direct investment in Fujian province. In the evening, the delegation held talks with the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce in Fujian province and exchanged views with Hong Kong businessmen to learn about their investments and business environment in the province. They also discussed how Hong Kong businesses can seize the opportunity to integrate into national development.

The delegation will continue its study visit in Xiamen tomorrow (July 19).









