<u>LegCo joint-Panel begins duty visit in</u> <u>Hangzhou (with photos)</u>

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

The Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Economic Development, Panel on Commerce and Industry, Panel on Financial Affairs, and Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting continued the joint-Panel duty visit in the Yangtze River Delta (YRD) Region today (April 23).

In the morning, the delegation attended a seminar, themed "The latest development of regional integration of the Yangtze River Delta", in Shanghai. The Director of the Shanghai Municipal Development and Reform Commission, Mr Ma Chunlei, briefed Members on the latest progress of the integrated development of the YRD Region. Regarding the relationship between Hong Kong and the YRD Region, Mr Ma emphasized that while both places utilize their edges and complement each other, they can strengthen collaboration to achieve synergy in development more effectively.

The delegation then took the high-speed train to Hangzhou. Upon arrival in Hangzhou, the delegation visited the Hangzhou Public Service Centre to learn about the Zhejiang Provincial Government's "At Most One Visit" project participated by more than 20 departments in providing one-stop public services for residents and enterprises.

In the evening, the delegation met with the Secretary of CPC Zhejiang Provincial Committee, Mr Che Jun, to gain a better understanding of the recent development in Zhejiang Province and its policy initiatives to promote innovation and technology.

The delegation then attended a large-scale outdoor performance, "Impression West Lake — Enduring Memories of Hangzhou", and followed by visiting a teahouse, "Hu Pan Ju". Members took the opportunity to learn about the features of cultural tourism in Hangzhou.

The delegation will visit the Headquarters of Alibaba Group, Hangzhou National High-Tech Industries Development Zone, Hangzhou LHD New Energy Technology Co. Ltd. and WeDoctor Group tomorrow (April 24). The delegation will also meet with groups of Hong Kong people living in Zhejiang and then return to Hong Kong at night.

Led by the LegCo President, Mr Andrew Leung, a total of 22 Members participated in the joint-Panel duty visit. Deputy delegation leaders are the Chairman of Panel on Commerce and Industry, Mr Yiu Si-wing; the Chairman of Panel on Financial Affairs, Mr Christopher Cheung; the Chairman of Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Dr Elizabeth Quat; and the Chairman of Panel on Economic Development, Mr Chung Kwok-pan. The delegation visits Shanghai and Hangzhou from April 21 to 24. The Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Patrick Nip; the Secretary for

Innovation and Technology, Mr Nicholas W Yang; the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Mr James Lau; and the Under Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Dr Bernard Chan, also participated in the duty visit.









