

Persons wanted and arrested for alleged contravention of the Hong Kong National Security Law

The National Security Department (NSD) of the Hong Kong Police Force today (December 14) said that Police have put five persons who have absconded overseas and are suspected to have committed offences under the Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (National Security Law) on wanted list. The court has, upon application by the NSD, issued arrest warrants against the said five persons at large.

A total of five persons, namely male Cheng Man-kit, female Hui Wing-ting, female Siu Joey, male Fok Ka-chi and male Choi Ming-da, who have fled overseas, are alleged to have continued to commit offences under the National Security Law, including "incitement to secession", "incitement to subversion" and "collusion with a foreign country or with external elements to endanger national security". The acts of these five persons seriously endanger national security. Thus, Police applied to the court for the arrest warrants in accordance with the law and put the persons on the wanted list. (See Annex for the legal basis and basic facts for putting the persons on the wanted list)

Given the great importance which Police attach to the cases concerned, a reward of \$1 million in respect of each wanted person is being offered by the Police to any member of the public, who can provide information on the wanted persons or the related cases.

Besides, the NSD took enforcement actions yesterday (December 13) and arrested two men and two women, aged between 29 and 68, in various districts in Hong Kong who were suspected of committing the offence of "providing pecuniary assistance for the commission of secession by other persons" under the National Security Law.

Investigations revealed that between December 2020 and November 2023, the four arrested persons were suspected of providing pecuniary assistance via online crowdfunding platform to two wanted persons, who have engaged in secessionist activities and absconded overseas, and the amount involved ranged from some \$10,000 to \$120,000. The four arrested persons are being detained for further enquiries.

Police remind the public that it is an offence for any person to incite, assist in, abet or provide pecuniary or other financial assistance or property to another person, by any means whatsoever (including through online platform), for committing offences endangering national security. Police will continue to take strict enforcement actions against such illegal acts and urge members of the public to abide by the law.