<u>Police National Security Department</u> arrests four men and six women

The National Security Department of the Hong Kong Police Force today (August 10) arrested four men and six women, aged between 26 and 43, in various districts for suspected "conspiracy to collusion with a foreign country or with external elements to endanger national security", contravening Article 29 of the National Security Law and inciting riot.

Police investigation revealed that the arrested persons were suspected of conspiracy to collude with the 612 Humanitarian Relief Fund to receive donations from various overseas organisations to support people who have fled overseas or organisations which called for sanctions against Hong Kong.

Police conducted searches at the arrested persons' residences and offices with court warrants. Some related documents and electronic communication devices were seized. The arrested persons are being detained for further enquiries. Police operation is ongoing and the possibility of further arrests is not ruled out.

Police remind the public that "conspiracy to collusion with a foreign country or with external elements to endanger national security" is a serious crime. Offenders shall be liable upon conviction to imprisonment. Members of the public are urged not to defy the laws.