

Secretary for Justice fosters ties in Washington, DC (with photos)

The Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, continued her visit to Washington, DC, the United States (US) today (July 13, Eastern Standard Time).

In the morning, she met with the Deputy Secretary of State of the US, Mr John Sullivan, to exchange views on matters of mutual interest.

In the afternoon, Ms Cheng spoke at Georgetown University Law Center on the dynamics of international legal norms. She said that with Asia becoming one of the most important and dynamic regions in international affairs, it has also risen to become an active and influential player in international relations, especially in the fields of international trade and investment and environment protection. She added that international dispute resolution is an area of relevance where Asia can play a role in the development of international law on a global basis.

Ms Cheng also met with the Executive Vice President of the Heritage Foundation, Dr Kim Holmes, and other scholars of the Foundation; as well as the economist in the Development Research Group of the World Bank, Mr Aart Kraay, to brief them on the latest developments in Hong Kong.

In addition, she met with the Senior Vice President for Asia, US Chamber of Commerce, Mr Charles Freeman, to discuss various issues, including opportunities under the Guangzhou-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area development and Hong Kong's efforts in promoting dispute resolution services.

She will continue her visit to Washington, DC, tomorrow (July 14, Eastern Standard Time) by attending the Society of International Economic Law Biennial Conference, at which she will also deliver a keynote speech.

On July 15 (Eastern Standard Time), Ms Cheng will proceed to New York to continue her visit.



