## SHA attends China-Japan-South Korea Cultural Ministers' Meeting in Incheon (with photos)

â€<The Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, today (August 30) attended the China-Japan-South Korea Cultural Ministers' Meeting in Incheon, Korea, as a member of the Chinese delegation and delivered a speech introducing the latest cultural developments of Hong Kong.

In his speech, Mr Lau said many artists and arts groups from Japan and Korea showcase their talents in Hong Kong every year. Artists in Hong Kong also engage in international exchanges with the support of the Arts Development Fund. The first Hong Kong Week will be held in Shanghai in November this year.

Looking ahead, Mr Lau said Hong Kong's art and cultural scene will scale new heights. The world-class arts and cultural district in Hong Kong, the West Kowloon Cultural District, has begun to take shape. Its Xiqu Centre was opened at the end of last year, and the Hong Kong Palace Museum and M+ will be completed in the coming years. The Hong Kong Museum of Art will open by the end of this year after renovation and expansion.

Mr Lau started his visit to Korea yesterday (August 29). He first visited Arts Center Incheon and attended the Korea-China-Japan Cultural Festival in the evening. Today he met with the Vice Mayor of the Seoul Metropolitan Government, Mr Kang Tae-woong, and visited the Sejong Center for the Performing Arts in the afternoon. He will return to Hong Kong from Incheon this evening.







