## SLW calls on HKMAO of State Council in Beijing (with photo)

Accompanied by the Permanent Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Ms Alice Lau, and the Director of Social Welfare, Miss Charmaine Lee, the Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Mr Chris Sun, called on the Executive Deputy Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office (HKMAO) of the State Council, Mr Zhou Ji, in Beijing this morning (September 6).

At the meeting, Mr Sun reported to Mr Zhou on the latest work progress of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government in the areas of social welfare, labour policies and talent attraction over the past year, including the implementation progress of targeted poverty alleviation projects, new initiatives on elderly and rehabilitation services, updates on measures related to the protection of employee rights for imported labour and the enhanced talent admission mechanism, as well as issues such as promoting and deepening co-operation between Hong Kong and cities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Mr Sun also expressed gratitude to the Central Government and the HKMAO for their care and support.

Mr Sun said that the HKSAR Government will continue to fully, faithfully and resolutely live up to the "one country, two systems" principle, in order to govern Hong Kong in accordance with the law and improve people's livelihood, thereby striving to maintain the long-term prosperity and stability of Hong Kong. To implement the Resolution of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC Central Committee) on Further Deepening Reform Comprehensively to Advance Chinese Modernization adopted by the Third Plenary Session of the 20th CPC Central Committee in supporting Hong Kong to build itself into an international hub for high-calibre talent, the HKSAR Government will continue to spare no effort in attracting talent by leveraging Hong Kong's institutional strength under "one country, two systems" to facilitate its active role in the opening up of the country.

Mr Sun and the delegation returned to Hong Kong tonight.

