Revised Codes of Practice under Building Management Ordinance published

The Government published today (August 17) the revised Codes of Practice under the Building Management Ordinance (Cap. 344) (BMO), namely:

- (a) the Code of Practice on Procurement of Supplies, Goods and Services; and
- (b) the Code of Practice on Building Management and Safety,

which will take effect on September 1.

The revised Codes of Practice have incorporated relevant proposals which the Home Affairs Bureau and the Home Affairs Department presented to the Legislative Council Panel on Home Affairs in November 2017 and are not in contravention of the existing BMO. With a view to ensuring that the Codes of Practice keep pace with societal changes, the revisions cover such areas as:

- (a) the declaration of conflict of interests by agents and employees of an owners' corporation, preparation of invitation to tender, collection and opening of tenders and the timing of signing procurement contracts, etc. in the Code of Practice on Procurement of Supplies, Goods and Services; and
- (b) the financial arrangement of an owners' corporation and the management and maintenance of common parts, etc. in the Code of Practice on Building Management and Safety.

Pursuant to section 44(1) of the BMO, the Authority (i.e. the Secretary for Home Affairs) may from time to time prepare, revise and issue Codes of Practice giving guidance and direction as to:

- (a) the procurement of supplies, goods and services required by an owners' corporation including such procurement by invitation to tender and the tender procedure in respect thereof; and
- (b) the standards and practices of management and safety that are to be observed and followed by an owners' corporation.

The revised Codes of Practice are available at the <u>dedicated homepage</u> on building management of the Home Affairs Department.

Tenders invited for Inter-reservoirs Transfer Scheme - Water Tunnel between Kowloon Byewash Reservoir and Lower Shing Mun Reservoir

The Drainage Services Department (DSD) today (August 17) invited tenders for the Inter-reservoirs Transfer Scheme — Water Tunnel between Kowloon Byewash Reservoir and Lower Shing Mun Reservoir.

The works mainly comprise:

- * construction of a water tunnel of about 2.8 kilometres with a 3-metre diameter from the Kowloon Byewash Reservoir to the Lower Shing Mun Reservoir;
- * construction of an intake structure at the Kowloon Byewash Reservoir;
- * construction of an outfall structure at the Lower Shing Mun Reservoir; and
- * ancillary works, including slope upgrading works, landscaping works and associated roadworks.

The works are scheduled to commence in January 2019 and are expected to take about 38 months to complete.

The DSD has commissioned Black & Veatch Hong Kong Limited to design and supervise the works. Interested contractors may obtain the forms of tender and further particulars from the company at 43/F, AIA Kowloon Tower, 100 How Ming Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, or contact the company at 2601 1000 during office hours.

The invitation to tender was gazetted today. The closing time for the tender is noon on October 26.

Details of the tender notice are available at the DSD's website www.dsd.gov.hk/EN/Tender_Notices/Current_Tenders/index.html).

<u>Appointments to Radio Television Hong</u> <u>Kong Board of Advisors announced</u>

The Government announced today (August 17) that the Chief Executive has re-appointed Dr Eugene Chan Kin-keung as the Chairman of the Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) Board of Advisors. Five serving members and seven new members were also re-appointed/appointed for a new term of two years with

effect from September 1, 2018.

The new members are Ms Dilys Chau Suet-fung, Ms Linda Choy Siu-min, Professor Anthony Fung Ying-him, Ms Shirley Marie Therese Loo, Dr Tik Chiyuen, Ms Eva Wong Ching-hung and Ms Wu Siu-ling.

Commenting on the appointments, the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Edward Yau, said, "I am grateful that Dr Chan and five serving members have agreed to continue serving on the Board. They have provided invaluable advice to the Director of Broadcasting and contributed positively towards RTHK's achievement of its public purposes and mission as set out in the Charter of RTHK."

Mr Yau also welcomed the new members on joining the Board, adding that with their professional knowledge and rich social experience, they would contribute to the work of the Board.

Mr Yau thanked the outgoing members, Ms Mimi Cheung Yee-may, Mr Leslie Ching Pui-wai, Mr Robert Chua Wah-peng, Ms Anna Hung Wing-chee, Mr Douglas Lam Tak-yip, Mr Lee Luen-fai, Dr Carol Ma Hok-ka and Dr Yeung Law Koon-chui, for their contributions during their tenure.

The full membership of the Board commencing September 1, 2018, is as follows:

Non-official members

Dr Eugene Chan Kin-keung (Chairman)

Mr Walter Chan Kar-lok

Ms Dilys Chau Suet-fung

Ms Linda Choy Siu-min

Mr Mohan Datwani

Professor Anthony Fung Ying-him

Ms Helen Kwan Po-jen

Ms Shirley Marie Therese Loo

Dr Tik Chi-yuen

Ms Eva Wong Ching-hung

Mr Augustine Wong Ho-ming

Professor Wong Kam-fai

Ms Wu Siu-ling

Ex officio member

Director of Broadcasting

Hong Kong Customs combats sale of infringing goods for children (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs conducted a three-day operation codenamed "Green Shield" between August 14 and yesterday (August 16) to combat the sale of suspected infringing goods for children in various districts and on online platforms. A total of about 7 200 pieces of suspected infringing children's clothing, shoes, bags and other goods with a total estimated market value of about \$190,000 were seized.

During the summer holiday, Customs conducted patrols in various districts and online platforms. Suspected infringing children's products were sold at retail shops and fixed hawker pitches as well as on the Internet.

After an in-depth investigation with the assistance of trademark and copyright owners, Customs officers raided 14 retail shops and fixed hawker pitches in North Point, Wan Chai, Yau Ma Tei, Fanling and Yuen Long for three days started from August 14. Enforcement action were also taken on online platforms. A total of about 7 200 pieces of suspected infringing children's clothing, shoes, bags and other suspected infringing goods with a total estimated market value of about \$190,000 were seized.

During the operation, three men and 15 women aged between 23 and 70 were arrested, including 11 shop owners, six salespersons and an online seller.

Customs will continue to step up patrols and combat sales of infringing goods in various districts and on the Internet.

Customs appeals to consumers to procure goods at reputable shops and to check with the trademark owners or the copyright owners or their authorised agents if the authenticity of a product is in doubt.

Customs also reminds traders to be cautious and prudent in merchandising since the sale of infringing goods is a serious crime and offenders are liable to criminal sanctions.

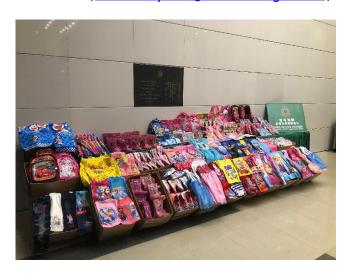
Under the Trade Descriptions Ordinance, any person who sells or possesses for sale any goods with a forged trademark commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$500,000 and imprisonment for five years.

Under the Copyright Ordinance, any person who sells or possesses for sale any infringing goods commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$50,000 per infringing copy and imprisonment for four years.

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Members of the public may report any suspected infringing activities to

the Customs 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or the dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).



Hong Kong Monetary Authority Exchange Fund Notes Tender Results

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Hong Kong Monetary Authority Exchange Fund Notes Tender Results:

Tender date : August 17, 2018

Paper on offer : EF Notes Issue number : 02Y2008

Issue date : August 20, 2018 Maturity date : August 20, 2020

Coupon 1.78% p.a.

Competitive Tender Result

Amount applied : HK\$4,729 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$1,200 MN

Average price accepted (yield) : 99.76 (1.91 PCT) Lowest price accepted (yield) : 99.65 (1.97 PCT)

Pro rata ratio : About 3 PCT

Average tender price (yield) : 99.60 (1.99 PCT)
Non-competitive Tender Results (for applications submitted

through Hong Kong Securities Clearing Company Limited)

Amount applied : 0
Amount allotted : 0
Allotment Price (yield) : NIL