<u>Cluster of Multi-drug Resistant</u> <u>Acinetobacter cases in Pamela Youde</u> <u>Nethersole Eastern Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesperson for Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital made the following announcement today (December 20):

Four patients (three males and one female, aged 67 to 97) in a surgical ward have been confirmed as carriers of Multi-drug Resistant Acinetobacter (MDRA) since December 13. One of the patients had passed away due to his underlying medical conditions and the remaining three patients were discharged.

The following enhanced infection control measures have been implemented according to the established guidelines:

- 1. Enhanced cleaning and disinfection of the ward concerned;
- 2. Application of stringent contact precautions and enhanced hand hygiene for staff and patients; and
- Enhanced patient and environmental screening procedures.

The cases have been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow-up. The hospital will continue to closely monitor the situation of the ward concerned.

Fraudulent website and internet banking login screen related to China CITIC Bank International Limited

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

The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) wishes to alert members of the public to a press release issued by China CITIC Bank International Limited relating to a fraudulent website and an internet banking login screen, which have been reported to the HKMA. A hyperlink to the press release is available on the HKMA website.

The HKMA wishes to remind the public that banks will not send SMS or emails with embedded hyperlinks which direct them to the banks' websites to carry out transactions. They will not ask customers for sensitive personal information, such as login passwords or one-time password, by phone, email or SMS (including via embedded hyperlinks).

Anyone who has provided his or her personal information, or who has conducted any financial transactions, through or in response to the website or login screen concerned, should contact the bank using the contact information provided in the press release, and report the matter to the Police by contacting the Crime Wing Information Centre of the Hong Kong Police Force at 2860 5012.

Crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements for Christmas on Hong Kong Island and Kowloon

Police will implement crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements on Hong Kong Island and Kowloon from December 24 (Sunday) to December 25 (Monday) to facilitate the public to celebrate the festive season.

Hong Kong Island

A. Crowd safety management measures

As a large number of people is expected, crowd management measures will be implemented in Lan Kwai Fong area. It could take a long time to enter Lan Kwai Fong. Please follow the Police's instruction and queue patiently.

Members of the public are urged not to bring or discharge aerosol spray in the vicinity as it may be hazardous to people nearby. Parents are advised not to bring children into the area.

B. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 2pm on December 24 to 5am on December 25:

- D'Aguilar Street between Wyndham Street and Wellington Street;
- Lan Kwai Fong;

- Wing Wah Lane;
- Wo On Lane;
- Wellington Street between Wyndham Street and D'Aguilar Street; and
- On Lan Street.

Depending on the crowd situation, the following roads may be closed:

- Stanley Street between D'Aguilar Street and Cochrane Street;
- Wyndham Street between Glenealy and Queen's Road Central;
- D'Aguilar Street between Queen's Road Central and Wellington Street;
- Wellington Street between D'Aguilar Street and Cochrane Street;
- Cochrane Street between Wellington Street and Stanley Street;
- Lyndhurst Terrance; and
- Queen's Road Central between Pedder Street and Pottinger Street.

Upon completion of traffic diversions, the crowd will be directed to queue up along Queen's Road Central, D'Aguilar Street, Stanley Street, Cochrane Street and Wellington Street. The whole section of D'Aguilar Street will be closed to vehicular traffic.

In order to facilitate the dispersal of worshippers from St. Joseph's Church after the Christmas Eve Mass, the rightmost lane of Garden Road between Kennedy Road and Upper Albert Road will be coned off for pedestrian use at anytime after the Christmas Eve Mass, depending on the crowd conditions.

C. Suspension of on-street parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces on the following streets will be suspended from 1pm on December 24 to 5am on December 25:

- Stanley Street near D'Aguilar Street;
- On Lan Street; and
- Wyndham Street between Arbuthnot Road and D'Aguilar Street.

Kowloon

A. Crowd safety management measures

Christmas Eve celebration is expected to attract a large number of people to the Tsim Sha Tsui area. Depending on the prevailing situation, Police will implement crowd safety management measures.

B. Road closure and traffic diversions

Phrase I (from 6pm on December 24)

The following roads will be closed:

Eastbound and westbound Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Hung Hom

Road;

- Southbound and northbound Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Metropolis Drive;
- Southbound Salisbury Road between Hong Chong Road and Hung Hom Bypass;
- Eastbound and westbound Salisbury Road between Science Museum Road and Kowloon Park Drive, including Salisbury Road's eastbound and westbound underpass;
- The U-turn slip road of Salisbury Road leading from eastbound Salisbury Road U-turn to westbound Salisbury Road;
- Hong Wan Path;
- Mody Lane;
- Mody Road;
- Mody Square;
- Granville Square;
- Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road, except for franchised buses and green minibuses (GMBs);
- Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Granville Road,
 except for franchised buses and GMBs;
- Northbound Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound and northbound Carnarvon Road between Granville Road and Nathan
 Road:
- Hau Fook Street;
- Cameron Lane;
- Cameron Road;
- Humphreys Avenue;
- Prat Avenue;
- Hart Avenue;
- Hanoi Road;
- Bristol Avenue;
- Minden Row;
- Minden Avenue;
- Blenheim Avenue;
- Middle Road:
- Northbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Kowloon Park Drive between Canton Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Canton Road between Kowloon Park Drive and Salisbury Road;
- China Hong Kong City Public Transport Interchange;
- Ashley Road;
- Hankow Road;
- Lock Road;
- Haiphong Road;
- Ichang Street;
- Peking Road:
- Museum Drive; and
- Cultural Drive.

During the above road closure period, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

- Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Road will be directed from Hung Hom Bypass to Cheong Tung Road South roundabout;
- Traffic along eastbound Metropolis Drive cannot turn right to southbound Hung Hom Bypass;
- Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Bypass must turn right to westbound Metropolis Drive;
- Traffic along westbound Cheong Wan Road leading to Chatham Road South must turn right to northbound Chatham Road South or go straight to westbound Austin Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
- Franchised buses along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound
 Public Square Street or westbound Jordan Road;
- Franchised buses and GMBs along southbound Chatham Road South must turn left to eastbound Granville Road;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road, vehicles must go straight to Nga Cheung Road direction or turn left to southbound Wui Man Road;
- Traffic along southbound Canton Road must make a U-turn to northbound Canton Road outside China Hong Kong City;
- Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road;
- Traffic along eastbound Salisbury Road must turn left to northbound Kowloon Park Drive:
- Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn right to Peking Road;
- Westbound Granville Road between Nathan Road and Carnarvon Road will turn to eastbound contraflow, traffic along southbound Nathan Road will be instructed to turn left to eastbound Granville Road;
- Traffic along Science Museum Road cannot turn to Mody Road and Granville Road;
- Traffic along southbound Salisbury Road near Hong Chong Road will be diverted to Tsim Sha Tsui East; and
- Traffic along eastbound Granville Road near Chatham Road South must turn left to northbound Chatham Road South.

Phrase II (from 6.30pm on December 24)

The following roads will be closed:

- Northbound Kowloon Park Drive between Canton Road and Salisbury Road;
- Eastbound and westbound Salisbury Road between Canton Road and Kowloon Park
 Drive; and
- Star Ferry Bus Terminus.

Contingency plan

If necessary, the following roads will be closed:

- Southbound and northbound Nathan Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road;
- Eastbound Bowring Street between Pilkem Street and Nathan Road;
- Eastbound Tak Shing Street between Tak Hing Street and Nathan Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Granville Road;

- Pine Tree Hill Road;
- Hillwood Road;
- Carnarvon Road between Kimberley Road and Granville Road;
- Shun Yee Street:
- Granville Circuit:
- Northbound Chatham Road South between Observatory Road and Granville Road;
- Kimberley Road between Nathan Road and Observatory Road;
- Kimberley Street;
- Granville Road between Nathan Road and Chatham Road South;
- Southbound and northbound Canton Road between Austin Road and Kowloon Park
 Drive;
- The U-turn slip road of Austin Road West leading from westbound Austin Road West U-turn to eastbound Austin Road West;
- The first lane of Austin Road West leading to Austin Road West roundabout;
- Austin Road West roundabout between the entrance of Austin Road West and the exit and entrance of Museum Drive;
- Southbound and northbound Nga Cheung Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road West;
- The U-turn slip road of Austin Road West leading from eastbound Austin Road West U-turn to westbound Austin Road West;
- Hung Luen Road between Wa Shun Street and Hung Lok Road;
- Oi King Street; and
- Kin Wan Street.

During the above road closure period, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

- Traffic along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound Jordan
 Road;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Nathan Road;
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road and southbound Cox's Road cannot turn to Pine Tree Hill Road;
- Traffic along Observatory Road cannot enter westbound Kimberley Street;
- Traffic along northbound Pilkem Street cannot turn right to eastbound Bowring Street;
- Traffic along eastbound Bowring Street must turn left to northbound Pilkem Street;
- Traffic along southbound Canton Road cannot go straight, vehicles must turn left to eastbound Austin Road or turn right to westbound Austin Road;
- Traffic along eastbound Austin Road West cannot turn right, vehicles must turn left to northbound Canton Road or go straight to eastbound Austin Road;
- Traffic along eastbound and westbound Austin Road West cannot enter the slip roads of Austin Road West;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road must turn to the Kowloon Station Public Transport Interchange after turning left to southbound Nga Cheung Road;
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road West must go straight to Nga Cheung Road elevated road;
- Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road entering Austin Road West roundabout must turn left to eastbound Austin Road West;
- Traffic along westbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to Wa Shun Street;

- Traffic along Wa Shun Street must turn right to eastbound Hung Luen Road;
- Traffic along southbound Hung Lok Road cannot turn left to eastbound Hung Luen Road; and
- Traffic along eastbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to northbound Hung Lok Road.

C. Suspension of car parks

All car parks within the above closed road area will be suspended until the road closure is lifted.

All vehicles parked illegally during the implementation of the above special traffic arrangements will be towed away without prior warning, and may be subject to multiple ticketing.

Actual implementation of traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Members of the public are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.





<u>Accident Investigation Preliminary</u> <u>Report and Public Notice on BGD Dual 2</u> <u>tandem paraglider accident released</u>

The Air Accident Investigation Authority (AAIA) today (December 20) released the Accident Investigation Preliminary Report and Public Notice 05-2023 on an accident involving a BGD Dual 2 tandem paraglider that impacted the terrain shortly after take-off at Ngong Ping, Ma On Shan, with the passenger seriously injured on October 2, 2023.

A spokesperson for the AAIA said that the preliminary report has been published to provide factual information established in the investigation's early evidence collection phase to both the aviation industry and the general public in a timely manner, and should be regarded as tentative. The full report is available for download from the AAIA webpage

(www.tlb.gov.hk/aaia/eng/investigation reports/index.html).

"The investigation team is conducting a detailed analysis of the data and information collected in order to determine the circumstances and causes of this occurrence in conjunction with identifying areas for further investigation or lines of inquiry to follow up," the spokesperson said.

The AAIA, an independent investigation authority formed under the Transport and Logistics Bureau, is responsible for the investigation of civil aircraft accidents and incidents in accordance with the Hong Kong Civil Aviation (Investigation of Accidents) Regulations (Cap. 448B) and with reference to the International Civil Aviation Organization's standards.

Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong reminds public to remain vigilant against phone scams

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong (GDETO) of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region today (December 20) reminds the public to remain vigilant against phone scams.

It has come to the GDETO and its Shenzhen Liaison Unit (SZLU)'s attention that fraudsters have recently used a fake caller number display to impersonate GDETO or SZLU officers to make calls to members of the public.

Members of the public must at all times remain vigilant and cautious when receiving calls. Instead of simply relying on the incoming caller number display to identify the callers, believing the callers hastily, or disclosing their personal information arbitrarily, members of public are advised to take the initiative to verify the identities of the callers, such as seeking confirmation from the GDETO or the SZLU by phone or email.

If in doubt, please contact the GDETO at (86 20) 3891 1220 or the SZLU at (86 755) 8339 5618, or send an email to the GDETO at general@gdeto.gov.hk or to the SZLU at szlu@gdeto.gov.hk. Members of the public can also make enquiries to and seek assistance from Mainland China's National Anti-Fraud Center at 86 96110, or Hong Kong Police officers of the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre by calling the 24-hour police enquiry hotline, Anti-Scam Helpline 18222.

Anyone suspecting a phone scam should immediately report it to the Police.