

Transcript of remarks by SHYA at media session

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Miss Alice Mak, at a media session after attending the Legislative Council meeting today (January 10):

Reporter: About the Care Teams, what's your comment, because some teams stopped operation because they didn't have a seat in the District Council?

Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs: It is always a challenging task for the Care Team members to serve the community. As we can see that they have resources, but resources are always limited. We can't always have unlimited resources, right? With limited resources, Care Team members will have to think about how to solicit resources in the community and how to mobilise more volunteers to serve the community. It is always a challenging task for the Care Team members and I think they should have our respect and support. I hope through this incident, people will understand more about challenges or problems faced by the Care Team members and give them more support and assistance.

I must say that for anyone who has failed in any elections, it shouldn't be a factor for someone to consider whether they should still serve the community and serve in the Care Teams. I can see several candidates who have lost in the District Council Elections still insist to serve the community. They still insist to join and participate in the service of the Care Teams, and deliver very high-quality community services to our community. So I pay tribute to those who serve the community and do not ask for their own social status and anything for themselves. They just give their unconditional support and service to the community.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)