Two former flight attendants charged for violating Prevention and Control of Disease Regulation (Cap. 599A)

Police arrested and laid charges on two former flight attendants of an airline for violating the Prevention and Control of Disease Regulation (Cap. 599A) today (January 17).

Investigation revealed that the two persons, whilst employed by an airline as flight attendants, arrived in Hong Kong from the United States on December 24 and 25, 2021 respectively. During medical surveillance, they had conducted unnecessary activities in contravention of Cap. 599A on December 25 and 27, 2021 respectively. They were both subsequently tested positive for COVID-19 Omicron variant, and have been discharged from hospital upon completion of treatment.

Police arrested the two persons today for violating Section 15(3) of Cap. 599A, and laid charges on them today after seeking legal advice. They have been released on bail. The cases will be mentioned at the Tuen Mun Magistrates' Courts and the Eastern Magistrates' Courts on February 9.

Pursuant to Section 15(3) of the Prevention and Control of Disease Regulation (Cap. 599A), a person who fails to observe any condition specified by a health officer, would be liable on conviction to a fine at level 2 (\$5,000) and to imprisonment for six months.