<u>United Christian Hospital announces</u> <u>passing of COVID-19 patient</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The spokesman for United Christian Hospital (UCH) today (February 1) announced that a patient confirmed with COVID-19 passed away yesterday.

An 85-year-old female patient (case number: 8547) was admitted to UCH on December 14 due to terminal illness. She subsequently tested positive for COVID-19. After treatment, the patient tested positive for an antibody and was released from isolation by the Department of Health on January 28. Her condition continued to deteriorate and she eventually succumbed at 9.35am yesterday.

The hospital is saddened about the passing away of the patient and would offer necessary assistance to her family.

Including the above patient, 177 COVID-19 patients have passed away in public hospitals so far.