<u>Update on cluster of Influenza A cases</u> <u>in Kowloon Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Influenza A, the spokesperson for Kowloon Hospital (KH) gave the following update today (January 5):

Following a contact tracing investigation, one more patient (aged 73) in a male rehabilitation and medical extended care ward has tested positive for Influenza A. The patient is now being treated in isolation at KH and is in stable condition.

Infection control measures have already been stepped up according to established guidelines. All other patients in the ward are under close surveillance.

The case has been reported to the Hospital Authority Head Office and the Centre for Health Protection for necessary follow up.