<u>Update on cluster of Parainfluenza</u> <u>Virus Type 3 cases in Siu Lam Hospital</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

Regarding an earlier announcement on a cluster of patients infected with Parainfluenza Virus Type 3 in a female ward for severe intellectual disability, the spokesperson for Siu Lam Hospital made the following update today (November 11):

One more 70-year-old patient in the ward had presented with respiratory symptoms. Appropriate viral tests had been arranged for the patient and the test results were positive to Parainfluenza Virus Type 3. The patient concerned is being treated under isolation with stable condition.

Admission to the ward has been suspended and restricted visiting has been imposed. 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.