<u>Assistant Clerical Officer of CEDB</u> <u>preliminarily tests positive for</u> COVID-19

The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau (CEDB) today (December 2) learnt that an Assistant Clerical Officer has preliminarily tested positive for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The Assistant Clerical Officer is responsible for providing supporting services on the 22nd floor of the West Wing of the Central Government Offices in Tamar and does not have contact with members of the public in her daily work. She is the close contact of a positive case. She last performed her duties on December 1. She wore surgical masks while performing her duties and properly maintained social distancing with people she had contacted. Her body temperature was normal when undergoing temperature screening during work.

Thorough cleaning and disinfection operations have been conducted at the concerned workplaces. Arrangements have been made for colleagues working with the officer to work from home and they will undergo COVID-19 testing.

The CEDB has been concerned about the COVID-19 epidemic all along and has strictly implemented various disease prevention measures. The CEDB will continue to maintain close liaison with the Centre for Health Protection. It has also reminded its staff to pay attention to personal hygiene and stay vigilant, and if feeling unwell, to seek medical advice and inform the bureau as soon as possible.