

# **CE firmly opposes and strongly condemns US Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi's visit to Taiwan**

The Chief Executive, Mr John Lee, expressed on August 2 his firm opposition to the visit to Taiwan by the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, Nancy Pelosi. He strongly condemns Pelosi's visit which wantonly tramples on the one-China principle, seriously undermines China's sovereignty and territorial integrity, greatly threatens the peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait and gravely violates basic norms governing international relations.

Mr Lee said, "The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government has unwavering determination in and a clear stance against any advocacy of 'Taiwan independence', and fully supports the Central Government's resolute determination in safeguarding national sovereignty and territorial integrity."

"Pelosi's visit is tantamount to encouraging 'Taiwan independence' and openly challenges the one-China principle, undermining the stability in the Taiwan Strait. Such a move, betting on and in contempt for the well-being of more than 20 million people in Taiwan, is extremely selfish."

He stressed that the HKSAR Government firmly opposes any external forces interfering in the internal affairs of China, and will fully support and facilitate all necessary measures by the Central Government to resolutely safeguard national sovereignty and territorial integrity.