

# CE meets Secretary-General of International Telecommunication Union (with photo)

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, met the visiting Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), Mr Zhao Houlin, at Government House this afternoon (March 20).

Welcoming Mr Zhao's visit to Hong Kong, Mrs Lam congratulated him on his re-election with overwhelming support as the Secretary-General of the ITU. She said she hopes that Mr Zhao's visit in Hong Kong over the coming days will enhance his understanding of Hong Kong's telecommunications industry and related areas, and strengthen ties and co-operation between Hong Kong and the ITU in the future.

Mrs Lam said that Hong Kong has a first-class telecommunications network, with Internet and mobile penetration rates among the highest in the world, and that the city will continue to enhance its telecommunications infrastructure to lay a solid foundation for development as a smart city. She pointed out that Hong Kong, with excellent city management and professional services, will participate actively in the Belt and Road Initiative, particularly in boosting people-to-people bonds. She said the city is willing to share its experiences with and provide relevant training to developing regions and countries to strengthen their capacity.

