## **Departure of S for IT**

The Secretary for Innovation and Technology, Mr Nicholas W Yang, today (April 22) made the following statement on his departure:

I respect the decision made by the Chief Executive and am willing to leave my current post. I have no regret for joining the political team and having served as the Secretary for Innovation and Technology.

During my tenure, I had the support of my team in driving innovation and technology development and securing breakthroughs in developing the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Innovation and Technology Park in the Lok Ma Chau Loop and cross-boundary remittance of science and technology funding. I am also glad to see Hong Kong's innovation and technology ecosystem vibrant and growing.

Today is my 65th birthday and I will start a new chapter in my life after leaving the Government. I will continue to contribute myself to the innovation and technology development in Hong Kong and our country. My thanks also go to my colleagues, stakeholders and the media for their staunch support over the years.