

## Government's response to media enquiries on enhancement of anti-epidemic transportation

In response to media enquiries on further enhancement of anti-epidemic vehicle services to transport persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 from Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) to a designated community isolation facility (CIF), a Government spokesperson said the following today (August 17):

To comply with the Government's quarantine arrangements, the Fire Services Department (FSD) has been arranging anti-epidemic coaches with over 20 seats to provide transport services at fixed locations and times for inbound persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 at HKIA to a designated CIF since March 30 this year. These coaches operated every three hours from 9am to 0.00am.

Outside the above-mentioned hours, the Government also arranged other anti-epidemic vehicles to transport inbound persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 to a CIF. The FSD arranged an anti-epidemic vehicle to send three inbound persons who tested positive for COVID-19 from HKIA to a designated CIF in accordance with demand at about 4am this morning.

From August 1 to 16, the FSD's anti-epidemic coaches transported around 10 to 50 inbound persons who tested positive for COVID-19 from HKIA to a designated CIF each day.

To tie in with the latest quarantine arrangements of the Government, the FSD has enhanced the anti-epidemic coach services at HKIA starting from noon today to every 30 minutes from 6am to 1am and every hour from 1am to 6am daily.

The Task Group on Anti-epidemic Transportation led by the Transport and Logistics Bureau will continue to review the operation of the point-to-point transport services and liaise with relevant policy bureaux and departments so as to adjust the service in a timely manner in accordance with the actual situation and demand.