<u>Police National Security Department</u> <u>arrests one man and four women</u>

The National Security Department of the Hong Kong Police Force yesterday (June 2) arrested a man and four women, aged between 24 and 38, for "conspiracy to commit terrorist activities".

Investigation revealed that the arrested persons were allegedly involved in sending messages to police via telephone, email and instant messaging applications on multiple occasions between April 29 and May 13, including content which claimed to detonate bombs planted within various offices of the Central People's Government in Hong Kong and Kai Tak Sports Park, as well as seditious message which incited Taiwan independence and Hong Kong independence.

Police conducted searches at the arrested persons' residences with court warrants. Some electronic communication devices suspected to be involved in the case were seized.

The arrested man is being detained for further enquiries. The four arrested women were released on bail pending further investigations.