Regional flag day today

Three charities have been issued Public Subscription Permits to hold flag sales from 7am to 12.30pm today (March 15). They are, on Hong Kong Island, Saint Barnabas' Society and Home; in Kowloon, Hope Worldwide; and in the New Territories, The Free Methodist Church of Hong Kong, a spokesman for the Social Welfare Department (SWD) said.

Arrangements have been made with the charities to help people to distinguish among the three flag-selling activities.

Information on the three flag-selling organisations on March 15 is as follows:

Region			Colour of flag
Hong Kong Island	Saint Barnabas' Society and Home	Red	White
Kowloon	Hope Worldwide	Yellow	White
New Territories	The Free Methodist Church of Hong Kong	Yellow	White

Details of the charitable fund-raising activities, including any updated information, covered by the issued Public Subscription Permits have been published on the GovHK website (www.gov.hk/en/theme/fundraising/search). Permits for flag days containing information on contact methods of the flagselling organisations and the approved flag-selling activities have also been uploaded to the SWD's website (www.swd.gov.hk/en/ngo/controlofc/flagdays) for reference. For enquiries, please call the SWD's hotline at 2343 2255, or the designated hotline of the 1823 Call Centre at 3142 2678.

In the case of suspected fraudulent flag day activities, people should not make any donation and should immediately report the matter to the Police, the spokesman added.