## SCED to visit France

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Algernon Yau, will depart for France this evening (June 17) to visit Toulouse, Bordeaux, Cognac and Paris to promote Hong Kong's favourable business environment and its advantages as a wine and liquor trading hub.  $\tilde{a} \in \in \widetilde{a} \in \mathbb{R}$ 

During the trip, Mr Yau will meet with the French business sector and attend business roundtables to exchange views with local wine and liquor producers. He will also attend the China Forum 2025 organised by Business France to promote Hong Kong's unique role as a gateway to the Mainland market.

Mr Yau will return to Hong Kong on June 26 morning. The Under Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Dr Bernard Chan, will be the Acting Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development during Mr Yau's absence.