

## Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs to lead District Officers to Mainland for study and duty visit

“The Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Miss Alice Mak, will lead a delegation of 18 District Officers (DOs) to Beijing and Zhejiang Province tomorrow (April 17) for a study programme and duty visit on district governance.

“The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government attaches great importance to district governance. Under the improved district governance system, DOs are also the Chairmen of District Councils and shoulder the important responsibility of enhancing district governance. The study programme aims to enable DOs to have an in-depth and continuous understanding of the national policies and developments, and at the same time to learn from the experience in district governance on the Mainland for their reference in future work.

The delegation is led by Miss Mak and the members include the Permanent Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Ms Shirley Lam, the Director of Home Affairs, Mrs Alice Cheung, and the 18 DOs. Upon their arrival in Beijing, the delegation will commence its study programme at the National Academy of Governance. The delegation will proceed to Zhejiang Province for duty visit on April 19 to gain insights into the local experience of district governance there, and return to Hong Kong on April 21.

“During the absence of Miss Mak, the Under Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Mr Clarence Leung, will act as the Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs.