## Statement by ExCo Non-official Members

The following is issued on behalf of the Executive Council Secretariat:

The Non-official Members of the Executive Council (ExCo) today (August 8) issued the following statement:

The ExCo Non-official Members note that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government has issued a statement in response to the so-called "sanctions" by the United States (US) Government against 11 officials of the Central People's Government and the HKSAR Government. They unanimously agree with the statement. The US Government's claim that the imposition of the so-called "sanctions" is in response to the enactment of the National Security Law in Hong Kong is unsubstantiated and sweeping. They express regret over the US Government's act which has undermined the relation between Hong Kong and the US.

The ExCo Non-official Members stress that the National Security Law in Hong Kong has established and improved the legal system and enforcement mechanisms for HKSAR in safeguarding national security and is conducive to the continued success of "One Country, Two Systems" in Hong Kong as well as the long-term prosperity and stability of our city. The ExCo Non-official Members said that they would continue to offer their staunch support to the Chief Executive in leading her team to govern and serve the public.