SWD intends to revoke Public Subscription Permit issued to Hong Kong Association of the Deaf for organising territory-wide flag day

â€<The Social Welfare Department (SWD) has served a notice on the Hong Kong Association of the Deaf today (July 16) indicating the Director of Social Welfare's intention to revoke the Public Subscription Permit issued to the organisation in respect of the territory-wide flag day to be held on September 8, 2018, as the organisation does not meet the requirement under eligibility criterion 5 for flag day application relating to the management capability of the organisation, an SWD spokesman said today. The organisation may submit written representation to the SWD within 14 days. After considering the representation, if any, the SWD will make a final decision on the revocation of the permit.

The SWD has advised the Hong Kong Association of the Deaf to immediately suspend all fundraising activities related to the flag day until the release of the final decision.