CGO opens as usual today

Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

Please broadcast the following message as soon as possible and repeat it at suitable intervals:

The Central Government Offices (CGO), Tamar will be open as usual today (July 22). Staff working in the CGO can enter the workplace via staff entrance on 2/F of the East Wing.

Government vehicles or vehicles with valid CGO permit may enter West Wing of CGO via Lung Wo Road and Tim Wa Avenue.

<u>Western Division Police Station Report</u> Room service resumed

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Police condemn violent acts

Police strongly condemn the violent incidents happened in Sheung Wan and Yuen Long respectively last night (July 21).

After the conclusion of a public procession on Hong Kong Island last night, some protesters charged Police's cordon lines in the vicinity of Sheung Wan. They hurled bricks, smoke grenades, petrol bombs and set fires etc. Some police officers were injured in the incident. Meanwhile, assault cases also happened in Yuen Long. Some people attacked commuters at the platforms of the Yuen Long MTR Station and train compartments, resulting in multiple injuries.

Police do not tolerate any violent behaviours. Police are now actively following up the two incidents in order to bring the offenders to justice.

The Government strongly condemns violent acts

In response to the violent acts in Sheung Wan and Yuen Long yesterday (July 21) evening, a Government spokesman said the following:

Following the storming of the CPGLO building, some radical protesters initiated a series of violent acts in Sheung Wan area, despite repeated warnings by the Police. These outrageous, violent acts included hurling petrol bombs, setting fires and throwing bricks. Thoroughfares were also blocked.

Meanwhile in Yuen Long, some people congregated at the platforms of the MTR station and train compartments, attacking commuters. It led to confrontations and injuries.

This is absolutely unacceptable to Hong Kong as a society that observes the rule of law. The SAR Government strongly condemns any violence and will seriously take enforcement actions.

<u>Government strongly condemns</u> <u>protesters' storming of CPG's office</u> <u>in HK</u>

In response to some radical protesters' deviation from the procession route, storming of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (CPGLO) and defacing the national emblem after the public procession today (July 21), a Government spokesperson said:

The CPGLO is one of the offices set up by the Central People's Government in Hong Kong and has constitutional functions.

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government strongly condemns the protesters who blatantly challenged the national sovereignty by maliciously besieging and storming the CPGLO building as well as defacing the national emblem. The HKSAR Government will deal with these acts in a serious manner in accordance with the law.

The HKSAR Government has always respected the public's expression of their aspirations peacefully. However, a series of incidents occurred recently, including the recurrence of illegal protests after peaceful processions, charging police cordon lines, besieging the Police Headquarters and blocking roads. The police also found illegal storage of dangerous goods and a large number of offensive weapons. The HKSAR Government is concerned that a small number of radicals incited the masses in an organised manner, challenged the rule of law, and even stormed the CPG's office in Hong Kong. Such acts threaten the law and order in the SAR and "one country, two systems". It is totally unacceptable to the society.