<u>Meetings of Legislative Council and</u> its Committees

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

The Legislative Council (LegCo) and its Committees will hold 15 open meetings during the week from June 18 to 22 in the LegCo Complex. Details of the meetings are available in the meeting schedule attached.

The information in the meeting schedule is subject to change. Please refer to the "LegCo Calendar" on the LegCo Website (www.legco.gov.hk) for the latest details of meetings.

Members of the public are welcome to observe open meetings of LegCo and its Committees. Interested individuals and groups are advised to make advance booking of seats by calling the LegCo Secretariat at 3919 3399 during office hours. Members of the public can also listen to or watch all open meetings via the "Webcast" system on the LegCo Website.

<u>Special traffic arrangements for Tuen</u> <u>Ng Festival</u>

Police will implement special traffic arrangements in various districts on June 18 (Monday) to facilitate the public to watch dragon boat races and to ensure smooth vehicular traffic movement and pedestrian safety.

Southern District

A. Road closure

In Aberdeen, Kwun Hoi Path near Ocean Court will be closed between 7am and 6pm, except for vehicles of local residents.

In Stanley, Stanley Link Road and Hoi Fung Path will be closed between 7am and 7pm, except for vehicles of local residents.

Stanley New Street and Stanley Market Road will be closed between 7am and 6pm, except for vehicles of local residents and vehicles with permit.

Stanley Main Street will be closed between 7am and 11pm and designated as pedestrian precinct.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

The following car park and parking spaces will be suspended from 6am to 7pm:

- All parking spaces on Stanley Link Road;
- The public car park near the refuse collection point on Stanley Beach Road;
- All metered parking spaces on Carmel Road;
- Five metered parking spaces on Stanley Beach Road; and
- All metered parking spaces and motorcycle parking spaces on Island Road, except for disabled parking spaces.

Tuen Mun

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 3pm, except for permitted vehicles:

The section of an unnamed access road connecting Wu Shan Road (near Wu Hong Street) between its cul-de-sac and the entrance of the open-air car park; and
 The unnamed access road connecting Wu Shan Road (opposite to Wu Shan Bowling Green).

Tai Po

A. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 2pm, except for taxis and permitted vehicles:

- Dai King Street;
- Dai Hei Street: and
- Dai Kwai Street between Dai Cheong Street and Tai Po Waterfront Park.

B. Closure of cycling track

The cycling track inside Tai Po Waterfront Park near Tai Po Industrial Estate will be closed from 7am to 2pm.

C. Suspension of parking spaces

The metered car park on Dai Shing Street and the metered parking spaces on Dai Hei Street and Dai King Street will be suspended from 6pm on June 17 to 2pm the following day.

Sha Tin

A. Road closure

Sand Martin Bridge (Sha Tin Rural Committee Road between Yuen Wo Road

and Tai Chung Kiu Road) will be closed from 7.30am to 2.30pm. Vehicles crossing Shing Mun River must travel via Lion Bridge (Lion Rock Tunnel Road) or Banyan Bridge (Fo Tan Road between Yuen Wo Road and Tai Chung Kiu Road).

B. Closure of cycling track

The cycling track along the northern riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Sand Martin Bridge and Banyan Bridge will be closed from 7.30am to 2.30pm.

All vehicles parked illegally may be towed away without prior notice.

Actual implementation of the traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Motorists are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.

CHP investigates case of severe paediatric enterovirus infection

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health is today (June 15) investigating a case of severe paediatric enterovirus (EV) infection, and again urged the public and institutions to maintain strict hand, personal and environmental hygiene.

The case involves a 2-month-old baby boy with good past health, who has presented with fever, cough, runny nose, vomiting and diarrhoea since June 7. He was admitted to Prince of Wales Hospital for medical treatment on June 11 and is now in a stable condition.

His cerebrospinal fluid specimen tested positive for EV upon laboratory testing. The clinical diagnosis was meningitis.

Initial enquiries revealed that the patient had no recent travel history. His home contacts remain asymptomatic so far. Investigations are ongoing.

A spokesman for the CHP said that as EV infection is transmitted by direct contact with nose and throat discharges, the public should be vigilant and observe the following preventive measures:

- Wash hands before eating and after going to the toilet and changing diapers;
- Cover the mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing;

- Maintain good ventilation; and
- Thoroughly clean toys or appliances which are contaminated by nasal or oral secretions.

Children suffering from EV infection should stay at home and avoid contact with other children until they have recovered.

The public may visit the CHP's page on <u>hand</u>, <u>foot and mouth disease and</u> EV71 infection for more information.

Woman arrested for suspected illegal sale of slimming product with undeclared banned drug ingredient (with photo)

A woman aged 19 was arrested today (June 15) in a joint operation by the Department of Health (DH) and the Police for suspected illegal sale of a slimming product called "MATCHA SURIMU", which is suspected to contain an undeclared banned drug ingredient.

From the DH's market surveillance, a sample of the above slimming product was purchased from an Internet seller for analysis. Test results from the Government Laboratory revealed that the sample contains sibutramine, which is a Part 1 poison under the Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance (Cap 138). During today's operation, the Police arrested the seller for suspected illegal sale of an unregistered pharmaceutical product and Part 1 poison.

The DH's investigation is ongoing.

Sibutramine was once used as an appetite suppressant. Since November 2010, products containing sibutramine have been banned in Hong Kong because of increased cardiovascular risk.

According to the Ordinance, all pharmaceutical products must be registered with the Pharmacy and Poisons Board of Hong Kong before they can be legally sold in the market. Part 1 poisons can only be sold in a pharmacy under the supervision of a registered pharmacist. Illegal sale of Part 1 poisons and unregistered pharmaceutical products are criminal offences. The maximum penalty for each offence is a fine of \$100,000 and two years' imprisonment.

A spokesman for the DH strongly urged members of the public not to buy

products of unknown or doubtful composition, or to consume products from unknown sources. All registered pharmaceutical products should carry a Hong Kong registration number on the package in the format of HK-XXXXX. Unregistered pharmaceutical products have not been evaluated by the Board and their safety, quality and efficacy are not guaranteed.

"Weight control should be achieved through a balanced diet and appropriate exercise. The public should consult healthcare professionals before using any medication for weight control," the spokesman advised.

The public may visit the DH Drug Office's pages for health messages on weight control and slimming products and information on slimming products with undeclared Western drug ingredients.

Members of the public who have purchased the above product should stop consuming it immediately. They should consult healthcare professionals for advice if they feel unwell or in doubt after consuming the product. They may submit the product to the DH's Drug Office at Room 1856, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, during office hours for disposal.



<u>Labour Department investigates fatal</u> <u>work accident in Pat Heung</u>

The Labour Department (LD) is investigating a fatal work accident in Pat Heung this afternoon (June 15), in which a man died.

The LD immediately deployed staff to the scene upon receiving a report of the accident, and is now conducting an investigation to look into its cause.