

## USCMA's statement

The Under Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs, Mr Clement Woo, today (January 8) said, "I briefly stayed at a birthday gathering on January 3 evening. There were participants of the gathering tested or tested preliminarily positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus involving mutant strains, I have proceeded to undergo quarantine at the Penny's Bay Quarantine Centre in accordance with the arrangement of the Centre for Health Protection."

"Hong Kong is currently facing severe epidemic situation. I apologise to the community for the additional burden to the anti-epidemic work caused by the incident. I will attach utmost importance to fighting virus and step up vigilance in the future."