<u>Visits in Ma Tau Kok Detention Centre</u> to resume

The Immigration Department (ImmD) spokesman announced today (February 21) that visits at Ma Tau Kok Detention Centre (MTKDC) will be resumed from tomorrow (February 22) in accordance with the advice of the Centre for Health Protection (CHP).

In response to a Vietnamese illegal immigrant detained at MTKDC who had tested positive for COVID-19, the ImmD had immediately suspended all visits at MTKDC, conducted a thorough cleaning and disinfection at all detention facilities and arranged for all detainees and officers to undergo COVID-19 testing in accordance with the advice of the CHP. The ImmD was informed by the CHP that all specimens had tested negative and that all visits in MTKDC will be resumed from tomorrow in accordance with the advice of the CHP. In order to maintain social distancing and arrange thorough cleanings in the visit room regularly, the waiting time for visits may be longer.