## SJ visits Shenzhen and Guangzhou

The Secretary for Justice, Mr Wong Yan Lung, SC, began a two-day visit to Shenzhen and Guangzhou today (November 3), to update leaders and counterparts on Hong Kong's latest developments in the legal field. The visit is also aimed at strengthening legal ties and cooperation among these three cities.

Today, apart from the Mayor of Shenzhen, Mr Xu Qin, Mr Wong is also meeting officials of the Shenzhen Municipal Intermediate People's Court, the Legislative Affairs Office of Shenzhen Municipal People's Government, Shenzhen Municipal Justice Bureau and the South China Sub-Commission of the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission. They exchange views on various legal issues, including the implementation of the Framework Agreement on Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation, mutual assistance on legal matters and mutual enforcement of arbitral awards.

Mr Wong will go to Guangzhou tomorrow (November 4), where he will meet with officials of the Higher People's Court of Guangdong Province, the Legislative Affairs Office of the Guangdong Provincial People's Government, the Justice Department of Guangdong and representatives of the Guangzhou Arbitration Commission. In addition, Mr Wong will also exchange views with representatives of Hong Kong law firms in Guangdong to obtain first-hand information on their operation in the province.

In the evening, Mr Wong will meet the Vice Governor of the Guangdong Province, Mr Li Ronggen, before returning to Hong Kong.

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