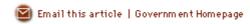
## Press Release



Remarks by Secretary for Security on Ching Cheong case

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Following is the transcript of remarks (English portion) by the Secretary for Security, Mr Ambrose S K Lee, at a media session at the lobby of Central Government Offices, West Wing, this morning (June 1):

Reporter: ... Firstly, what is your understanding of the whole case and secondly, was the Government ever notified by the Mainland authorities?

Secretary for Security: I think I should not comment on the details of the case. But I can confirm that we have been notified by Mrs Ching and we have also offered help to Mrs Ching in strict accordance with the laid-down procedures and in accordance with the "One Country, Two Systems" concept. We will monitor the development of the case and keep our liaison with Mrs Ching.

Reporter:...Mrs Ching said she wrote to the police and the then Acting Chief Executive seeking help...

Secretary for Security: I don't want to comment on the details of the case. But I can confirm that we have received requests for assistance from Mrs Ching and we have provided that sort of assistance to her in accordance with the present arrangement and in strict accordance with the "One Country, Two Systems".

Reporter: (on the reminder to Hong Kong residents)

Secretary for Security: I also want to take the opportunity to remind Hong Kong residents when they are outside Hong Kong, they should respect the laws and regulations of that territory and be careful not to violate any local or domestic laws.

Reporter: Is there anything more you can do to help?

Secretary for Security: We are still monitoring the case.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)

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