The Secretary for Justice, Mr Paul Lam, SC, continued his visit to Vietnam today (December 5) and met with representatives from the legal and commercial sectors of Vietnam. He also attended bilateral meetings between the Chinese delegation and member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). He will attend the 13th China-ASEAN Prosecutors-General Conference tomorrow (December 6) and deliver a speech at a plenary session.

Mr Lam first met with the Vietnam Bar Federation in the morning to learn about Vietnam's latest legal developments and needs in legal services, and to exchange views on legal co-operation and exchanges between the two places. He then attended a luncheon with representatives of the commercial sector of Vietnam to introduce to them Hong Kong's unique advantages of enjoying the strong support of the motherland while being closely connected to the world under "one country, two systems", as well as its position as an international centre for legal and dispute resolution services in the Asia-Pacific region.

In the afternoon, as a member of the Chinese delegation, Mr Lam attended bilateral meetings between the delegation and ASEAN member states, namely Vietnam, Brunei, Singapore, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar to exchange views with them on issues of mutual interest.

Mr Lam will attend the 13th China-ASEAN Prosecutors-General Conference tomorrow and deliver his speech at a plenary session hosted by the Prosecutor General of the Supreme People's Procuracy of Vietnam, Mr Le Minh Tri.

Mr Lam will conclude his visit to Vietnam and return to Hong Kong in the evening tomorrow.

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