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The 65<sup>th</sup> Issue of “CEPA Newsletter” has been released. To implement and actively participate in the work on promoting the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area, as well as to strengthen the exchange and cooperation between the Macao Economic Bureau (DSE) and local commercial authorities in the Bay Area, a delegation of the DSE recently visited the nine Mainland cities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area to meet with the leaders of the local commercial authorities, and visit the Macao-owned enterprises, as well as high and new technology parks in those places. By visiting the commercial authorities of the nine cities of the Bay Area, the DSE hopes to establish close partnerships and further clarify the future directions of cooperation with them.

In addition, the consultation on the Agreement on Trade in Goods under CEPA officially kicked off with the first Senior Officials’ Meeting for enhancement of trade in goods under CEPA convened in Macao on 20 March. In respect of rules of origin (ROOs) consultation, the Consultation Meeting on Specific Issues Related to ROOs for the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the China-Macao CEPA was held between the Mainland’s General Administration of Customs (GACC) and the DSE on 25 May in Chongqing to consult on the details of the ROOs-related articles and chapters of the Agreement on Trade in Goods under CEPA.

The Macao SAR Government organised a delegation of Macao entrepreneurs to travel to Portugal and Brazil between 19 June and 29 June for exchange and visit. During the period, Parafuturo de Macau Investment and Development Limited signed a cooperation agreement with Beta-i, a renowned Portuguese incubator, on 21 June at the China and PSCs Economic and Trade Cooperation Business Meeting held in Lisbon, Portugal. Parafuturo will set up a “Macao Interaction Zone” in Lisbon, while both sides can make recommendations to each other on youth startup enterprises moving in to each other’s incubation centre. This, accompanied with the launch of the China-PSCs Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship Exchange Programme, can provide a more precise support to Macao’s young business starters for innovating and starting up new businesses in Portugal.

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