



## Scouting on Tiananmen Square

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We, Scout Association of Hong Kong are lucky to have the blessing of the Chinese Central Government Liaison Office in Hong Kong, and have their utter trust and confidence in conducting scouting activities in China in scout uniform. These functions are under the invitation and with full support from the Chinese Government and the All China Youth Federation (another name for Communist Youth League in external affairs).

We were provided with special pass, train and transport arrangement. It speaks so much of the close cooperation of the two youth bodies. Every year we have hundred of scouts visiting China, by coach, by train and by plane, all in scout uniform.

This Summer, a special train of 10 cars of scouts and youths (600 strong) departed Shenzhen on 18 July (a border city north of Hong Kong) and travel through China from South to North, all the way crossed the Yangtze and Inner Mongolia before converging with another group of 150 scouts who arrived Peking by plane on 25 July and rendez vous in Tiananmen Square before the latter will travel by train through Central China to Chengdu to do service to the earthquake areas of the Sichuan Province in Western China."

News received from Mr Alexander Wong, International Commissioner, The Scout Association of Hong Kong

Annual summer exchange programmes involved the youths of Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan and the Mainland China(PRC).