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Cyberport Congratulates Hong Kong Payload Specialist Candidate Selected as One of the Country's Fourth Batch of Preparatory Astronauts

Hong Kong, June 11, 2024 – The China Manned Space Agency announced today the completion of the recruitment of the fourth batch of preparatory astronauts. One of the selected preparatory astronauts is a payload specialist from Hong Kong who may have the opportunity to carry out scientific research in space, contributing to the country's aerospace development. This marks a glorious chapter in the history of the HKSAR.

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In the second half of 2022, the country launched the recruitment exercise for the fourth batch of preparatory astronauts. The selection of payload specialists took place in Hong Kong for the first time, and Cyberport community companies gave active responses.

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Cyberport congratulates the Hong Kong payload specialist candidate who has been selected as one of the country's fourth batch of preparatory astronauts.

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