<u>Crowd safety management measures and</u> <u>special traffic arrangements for</u> <u>Christmas on Hong Kong Island and</u> Kowloon

Police will implement crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements on Hong Kong Island and Kowloon from December 24 (Tuesday) to December 25 (Wednesday) to facilitate the public to celebrate the festive season.

Hong Kong Island

A. Crowd safety management measures

As a large number of people is expected, crowd management measures will be implemented in Lan Kwai Fong area. Please follow the Police's instruction and queue patiently.

Members of the public are urged not to bring or discharge aerosol spray in the vicinity as it may be hazardous to people nearby. Members of the public are also reminded to look after the accompanying children and elderly.

B. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 2pm on December 24 to 5am on December 25:

- D'Aguilar Street between Wyndham Street and Wellington Street;
- Lan Kwai Fong;
- Wing Wah Lane;
- Wo On Lane;
- Wellington Street between Wyndham Street and D'Aguilar Street; and
- On Lan Street.

Depending on the crowd situation, the following roads may be closed:

- Stanley Street between D'Aguilar Street and Cochrane Street;
- Wyndham Street between Glenealy and Queen's Road Central;
- D'Aguilar Street between Queen's Road Central and Wellington Street;
- Wellington Street between D'Aguilar Street and Cochrane Street;
- Cochrane Street between Wellington Street and Stanley Street;
- Lyndhurst Terrance; and
- Queen's Road Central between Pedder Street and Pottinger Street.

In order to facilitate the dispersal of worshippers from St. Joseph's

Church after the Christmas Eve Mass, the rightmost lane of Garden Road between Kennedy Road and Upper Albert Road will be closed to all vehicular traffic at anytime, depending on the crowd conditions.

C. Suspension of on-street parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces on the following streets will be suspended from 1pm on December 24 to 5am on December 25:

– Stanley Street near D'Aguilar Street;

– On Lan Street; and

- Wyndham Street between Arbuthnot Road and D'Aguilar Street.

Kowloon

A. Crowd safety management measures

Christmas Eve celebration is expected to attract a large number of people to the Tsim Sha Tsui area. Depending on the prevailing situation, Police will implement crowd safety management measures.

B. Road closure and traffic diversions

Phase I (from 6pm on December 24)

The following roads will be closed:

- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Hung Hom Road;

- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Metropolis Drive;

- Southbound Salisbury Road between Hong Chong Road and Hung Hom Bypass;

 Salisbury Road and Salisbury Road Underpass between Science Museum Road and Kowloon Park Drive;

 The U-turn slip road leading from eastbound Salisbury Road to westbound Salisbury Road;

- Hong Wan Path;
- Mody Lane;
- Mody Road;
- Mody Square;
- Granville Square;

– Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road, except for franchised buses and green minibuses (GMBs);

Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Salisbury Road;
Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Granville Road,
except for franchised buses and GMBs;

- Northbound Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;

- Carnarvon Road between Granville Road and Nathan Road;

– Hau Fook Street;

- Cameron Lane;
- Cameron Road;
- Humphreys Avenue;

- Prat Avenue;
- Hart Avenue;
- Hanoi Road;
- Bristol Avenue;
- Minden Row;
- Minden Avenue;
- Blenheim Avenue;
- Middle Road;
- Northbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Kowloon Park Drive between Canton Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Canton Road between Kowloon Park Drive and Salisbury Road;
- Ashley Road;
- Hankow Road;
- Lock Road;
- Haiphong Road;
- Ichang Street;
- Peking Road;

 The slip road near Xiqu Centre leading from westbound Austin Road West (atgrade section) to eastbound Austin Road West;

The left lane of Austin Road West leading to Austin Road West roundabout;
The slip road near The Harbourside leading from eastbound Austin Road West (at-grade section) to westbound Austin Road West;

- Museum Drive; and
- Cultural Drive.

During the above road closure period, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

 Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Road will be directed from Hung Hom Bypass to Cheong Tung Road roundabout;

 Traffic along eastbound Metropolis Drive cannot turn right to southbound Hung Hom Bypass;

 Traffic along southbound Hung Hom Bypass must turn right to westbound Metropolis Drive;

 Traffic along westbound Cheong Wan Road leading to Chatham Road South must turn right to northbound Chatham Road South or go straight to westbound Austin Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;

 Franchised buses and GMBs along southbound Chatham Road South must turn left to eastbound Granville Road;

Franchised buses along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound
Public Square Street or westbound Jordan Road;

 Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road, vehicles must go straight to Nga Cheung Road direction or turn left to southbound Wui Man Road;

 Traffic along southbound Canton Road must make a U-turn to northbound Canton Road outside China Hong Kong City;

 Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn left to southbound Canton Road;

 Traffic along eastbound Salisbury Road must turn left to northbound Kowloon Park Drive; Traffic along northbound Kowloon Park Drive cannot turn right to Peking Road;

– Westbound Granville Road between Nathan Road and Carnarvon Road will turn to eastbound contraflow, while traffic along southbound Nathan Road will be instructed to turn left to eastbound Granville Road;

 Traffic along Science Museum Road cannot turn to Mody Road and Granville Road;

 Traffic along southbound Salisbury Road near Hong Chong Road will be diverted to Tsim Sha Tsui East;

 Traffic along eastbound Granville Road must turn left to northbound Chatham Road South;

 Traffic along eastbound and westbound Austin Road West cannot enter the slip roads of Austin Road West; and

 Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road cannot turn to Museum Drive.
Vehicles will be directed to eastbound Austin Road West or northbound Nga Cheung Road.

Phase II (from 6.30pm on December 24)

The following roads will be closed:

Northbound Kowloon Park Drive between Canton Road and Salisbury Road; and
Salisbury Road between Canton Road and Kowloon Park Drive.

Phase III (from 11.45pm on December 24)

Canton Road between Austin Road and Kowloon Park Drive will be closed. The following traffic diversions will be implemented:

 Traffic along southbound Canton Road cannot go straight. Vehicles must turn left to eastbound Austin Road or turn right to westbound Austin Road West;
Traffic along eastbound Austin Road West cannot turn right. Vehicles must turn left to northbound Canton Road or go straight to eastbound Austin Road; and

 Traffic along northbound Gateway Boulevard must leave from northbound Kowloon Park Drive.

Contingency plan

If necessary, the following roads will be closed:

- Nathan Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road;
- Eastbound Bowring Street between Pilkem Street and Nathan Road;
- Eastbound Tak Shing Street between Tak Hing Street and Nathan Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Granville Road;
- Pine Tree Hill Road;
- Hillwood Road;
- Carnarvon Road between Kimberley Road and Granville Road;
- Shun Yee Street;
- Granville Circuit;
- Northbound Chatham Road South between Observatory Road and Granville Road;

- Kimberley Road between Nathan Road and Observatory Road;

- Kimberley Street;
- Granville Road between Nathan Road and Chatham Road South;

 Austin Road West roundabout between Austin Road West and the exit and Museum Drive;

- Nga Cheung Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road West;

- Hung Luen Road between Wa Shun Street and Hung Lok Road;

– Oi King Street; and

– Kin Wan Street.

During the above road closure period, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

- Traffic along southbound Nathan Road must turn right to westbound Jordan Road; - Traffic along westbound Jordan Road cannot turn left to southbound Nathan Road: - Traffic along westbound Austin Road and southbound Cox's Road cannot turn to Pine Tree Hill Road; - Traffic along Observatory Road cannot enter westbound Kimberley Street; - Traffic along northbound Pilkem Street cannot turn right to eastbound Bowring Street; - Traffic along eastbound Bowring Street must turn to northbound Pilkem Street: - Traffic along westbound Jordan Road heading to Nga Cheung Road will be diverted to Kowloon Station Public Transport Interchange; - Traffic along westbound Austin Road West must go straight to Nga Cheung Road elevated road: - Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road entering Austin Road West roundabout must turn left to eastbound Austin Road West; - Traffic along westbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to eastbound Wa Shun Street: - Traffic along Wa Shun Street must turn right to eastbound Hung Luen Road; - Traffic along southbound Hung Lok Road cannot turn left to eastbound Hung Luen Road; and - Traffic along eastbound Hung Luen Road must turn left to northbound Hung Lok Road. C. Suspension of bus termini

The following bus termini will be suspended until the crowd has dispersed and traffic resumes normal:

The Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) Bus Terminus will be suspended from 5.30pm on December 24.

The Star Ferry Bus Terminus will be suspended from 6.30pm on December 24.

The China Hong Kong City Bus Terminus will be suspended from 11pm on December 24.

D. Suspension of car parks

All car parks within the above closed road area will be suspended until the road closure is lifted.

All vehicles parked illegally during the implementation of the above special traffic arrangements will be towed away without prior warning, and may be subject to multiple ticketing.

Actual implementation of traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Members of the public are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.

