<u>Crowd safety management measures and</u> <u>special traffic arrangements for Lunar</u> <u>New Year fireworks display</u>

Police will implement crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements on both sides of Victoria Harbour on January 30 (Thursday) to facilitate the public to watch the Lunar New Year fireworks display.

Kowloon

Crowd safety management measures in Tsim Sha Tsui

Police will implement crowd safety management measures in Yau Tsim District and Hung Hom Waterfront Promenade, including pedestrianising roads at Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom Waterfront Promenade in phases.

Depending on the prevailing crowd situation, Police will implement safety measures within the pedestrianised area including the closure of pedestrian subways and putting up barriers. One-way flow will be applied on overcrowded footbridges and in the vicinity of the waterfront promenade. If necessary, restrictions on access to MTR stations will be put into force by the MTR Corporation.

The Hong Kong Cultural Centre, the vicinity of the Clock Tower, and the Avenue of Stars are known to be popular gathering and vantage points. If these areas are saturated, the crowd will be diverted to other areas.

At present, there are some construction works at West Kowloon Cultural District. The contractors have erected hoardings and barriers to seal off the area concerned with relevant notices displayed. Members of the public are urged not to enter these construction sites nor climb or lean against the barriers.

Members of the public should follow the instructions given by Police officers and take heed of Police signage and broadcasts at scene.

Special traffic arrangements

The following special traffic arrangements will be implemented by phases, until the crowd has dispersed and the roads are safe for re-opening:

A. Road closure

The following roads will be closed, except for vehicles with permit:

Phase I (from 5pm onwards)

- Salisbury Road and Salisbury Road Underpass between Cheong Wan Road and Kowloon Park Drive;
- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Metropolis Drive;
- Hung Hom Bypass between Salisbury Road and Hung Hom Road;
- Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Chatham Road South between Cheong Wan Road and Granville Road,
 except for franchised buses and green minibuses (GMBs);
- Granville Road between Chatham Road South and Science Museum Road, except for franchised buses and GMBs;
- Canton Road between Gateway Boulevard and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Kowloon Park Drive between Gateway Boulevard and Salisbury Road;
- Northbound Nathan Road between Austin Road and Salisbury Road;
- Southbound Nathan Road between Granville Road and Salisbury Road;
- Carnarvon Road between Granville Road and Nathan Road;
- Hong Wan Path;
- Mody Lane;
- Mody Road;
- Mody Square;
- Granville Square;
- Minden Row;
- Hanoi Road;
- Bristol Avenue;
- Minden Avenue;
- Blenheim Avenue;
- Hart Avenue;
- Prat Avenue;
- Humphreys Avenue;
- Cameron Road;
- Cameron Lane;
- Hau Fuk Street;
- Middle Road;
- Peking Road;
- Lock Road:
- Hankow Road;
- Ashley Road;
- Ichang Street; and
- Haiphong Road.

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 South 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:
- 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;
- Granville Road between Nathan Road and Carnarvon Road will be re-routed to one-way eastbound, 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; and
- Traffic along eastbound Granville Road near Chatham Road South must turn left to northbound Chatham Road South.

Phase II (from 5.30pm onwards)

- Northbound Kowloon Park Drive between Salisbury Road and Gateway Boulevard;
 and
- Salisbury Road between Canton Road and Kowloon Park Drive.

Phase III (from 6pm onwards)

- Museum Drive;
- Cultural Drive:
- The slip road of eastbound Austin Road West at-grade leading to westbound Austin Road West near The Harbourside;
- The slip road of westbound Austin Road West at-grade leading to eastbound Austin Road West near Xigu Centre; and
- The left lane of westbound Austin Road West leading to Austin Road West roundabout.

During the above road closure period, traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road cannot enter Museum Drive.

Phase IV (from 7.45pm onwards)

- Nga Cheung Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road West;
- Canton Road between Austin Road West and Kowloon Park Drive;

- Nathan Road between Jordan Road and Austin Road;
- Eastbound Bowring Street between Pilkem Street and Nathan Road;
- 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; and
- Granville Road between Nathan Road and Chatham Road South.

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 turn left to westbound Kimberley Street;
- Traffic along northbound Pilkem Street cannot turn right to eastbound Bowring Street;
- Traffic along eastbound Bowring Street will be diverted via northbound Pilkem Street;
- Traffic along southbound Canton Road will be directed to eastbound Austin Road or westbound Austin Road West;
- Traffic along eastbound Austin Road West cannot turn right to southbound Canton Road;
- Traffic along westbound Jordan Road heading for Nga Cheung Road will be directed to Kowloon Station Public Transport Interchange;
- Traffic along westbound Austin Road West will be diverted to northbound Nga Cheung Road elevated road; and
- Traffic along southbound Nga Cheung Road will be directed to eastbound Austin Road West.

Contingency plan

If necessary, the following roads will be closed:

- 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 Hung Luen Road must turn left to eastbound Wa Shun Street;
- Traffic along westbound 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.

B. Suspension of bus termini

The Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) Bus Terminus will be suspended from 5pm.

The Star Ferry Bus Terminus will be suspended from 5.30pm.

The China Hong Kong City Bus Terminus will be suspended from 7pm.

C. Suspension of parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces, metered parking spaces and motorcycle parking spaces within the closed areas will be suspended from noon to 3am of the following day.

D. Suspension of car parks

During the implementation of the special traffic arrangements, vehicles cannot enter or leave the car parks within the closed road area in Tsim Sha Tsui and West Kowloon Cultural District from 5pm and 6pm respectively, until the roads are safe for re-opening.

Hong Kong Island

A. Road closure

Expo Drive East at the north of Expo Drive outside Golden Bauhinia Square, including the pick-up and drop-off areas, will be closed from 3pm.

The following roads will be closed from 5.30pm:

Central District

- Man Kwong Street;
- Man Fai Street;
- Man Yiu Street between Man Kwong Street and Man Po Street; and
- Unnamed Road near Lung Wo Road outside General Post Office metered parking spaces.

Central — Wan Chai Bypass

- The slip road linking eastbound Central Wan Chai Bypass to Expo Drive;
- The slip road linking Lung Wo Road to eastbound Central Wan Chai Bypass; and
- The slip road linking westbound Central Wan Chai Bypass to Lung Wo Road.

Wan Chai

- Eastbound Fenwick Pier Street;
- Lung King Street;
- Eastbound Harbour Road;
- Expo Drive;
- Expo Drive Central;
- Expo Drive East;
- Lung Wo Road between Lung Hop Street and Fleming Road;
- Lung Tat Path;
- Convention Avenue;
- Fleming Road flyover;
- Fleming Road between Expo Drive East and Harbour Road;
- Northbound Tonnochy Road between Harbour Road and Hung Hing Road;
- Southbound Tonnochy Road between Hung Hing Road and Gloucester Road;
- Marsh Road between Gloucester Road and Hung Hing Road;
- Marsh Road flyover;
- Hung Hing Road;
- Hung Hing Road flyover;
- Wan Shing Street;
- Wan Ying Street; and
- The slip road leading from eastbound Victoria Park Road to Causeway Bay Promenade.

The following roads will be closed from 6.45pm:

Central District

- Yiu Sing Street;
- Lung Wo Road between Man Yiu Street and Lung Hop Street;
- Tim Wa Avenue;
- Legislative Council Road;
- Tim Mei Avenue;
- Lung Wui Road;
- Lung Hop Street;
- Unnamed road between Harcourt Road and Performing Arts Avenue;
- Performing Arts Avenue; and
- Edinburgh Place.

Wan Chai

- Tonnochy Road flyover;
- Northbound Tonnochy Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;
- Harbour Drive;
- Westbound Harbour Road;
- Northbound Fleming Road between Gloucester Road and Harbour Road;

- Fenwick Pier Street flyover;
- Westbound Fenwick Pier Street; and
- Fenwick Street between Harbour Road and Gloucester Road.

Eastern District

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- Watson Road;
- King Ming Road;
- Hing Fat Street northward of Whitfield Road;
- Whitfield Road; and
- Electric Road between Watson Road and Gordon Road.

The following roads will be closed from 7.45pm:

Central District

- Man Yiu Street between Man Cheung Street and Man Po Street;
- Man Po Street; and
- Finance Street between Man Yiu Street and Man Po Street.

Wan Chai

- Lockhart Road and Jaffe Road between Percival Street and Luard Road;
- Southbound Luard Road between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road;
- O'Brien Road;
- Fleming Road between Jaffe Road and Hennessy Road; and
- Stewart Road, Tonnochy Road, Marsh Road, Canal Road West and Canal Road
 East between Gloucester Road and Hennessy Road.

Eastern District (except for franchised buses)

- Westbound Island Eastern Corridor (IEC) between Victoria Park Road and Man Hong Street;
- The slip roads leading from Healthy Street Central and Tong Shui Road to westbound IEC;
- The entrance of westbound Central Wan Chai Bypass Tunnel from IEC.

B. Traffic diversions

In connection with the road closure as mentioned above, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

From 5.30pm:

Rumsey Street between Chung Kong Road and Connaught Road Central will be re-routed to one-way southbound.

From 7.45pm:

- Traffic along westbound IEC will be diverted via Man Hong Street;
- Traffic along slip road of Tong Shui Road heading for westbound IEC will be

diverted via Wharf Road; and

 Traffic along eastbound Connaught Road West flyover will be diverted via Finance Street.

C. Suspension of parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces, metered parking spaces and motorcycle parking spaces within the above closed areas will be suspended from 10am, until the roads are safe for re-opening.

D. Suspension of bus termini and public transport interchange

Exhibition Centre Station Public Transport Interchange and Central Ferry Piers Bus Terminus will be suspended from 4.30pm.

Causeway Bay (Whitfield Road) Bus Terminus will be suspended from 6pm.

E. Suspension of car parks

Vehicles parked in car parks within the above closed areas in North Point, Wan Chai and Central District will not be permitted to enter or leave during the road closure period.

If necessary, the car parks on westbound Gloucester Road between Paterson Street and Percival Street will be closed without prior notice.

Police will continue to enforce traffic regulations during the Lunar New Year period. 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. Motorists are advised to exercise tolerance and patience, and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.



