## <u>Legal Aid Department adjusts office</u> <u>hours for public services</u>

The Legal Aid Department (LAD) announced today (August 21) that the department will adjust its office hours starting from August 24 and continue to provide basic necessary and limited civil and criminal legal aid application and litigation services until further notice.

The opening hours of the offices are as follows:

| Offices  | Opening hours<br>(from Monday to Friday, except<br>public holidays) |
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| Information and Application<br>Services Unit, Headquarters             |   |
| Information and Application<br>Services Unit, Kowloon Branch<br>Office | 9.30am to 1pm and   |
| Crime Section  | 2pm to 4.30pm   |
| Civil Litigation Section 1   |   |
| Civil Litigation Section 2   |   |
| Costing Unit and Enforcement<br>Unit                                   |   |
| Shroff Office  | 9.30am to 1pm and<br>2pm to 4pm                                     |

For enquiries, please contact the following offices during the above office hours:

- Information and Application Services Unit, Headquarters: 2537 7717 (for civil legal aid services)
- Information and Application Services Unit, Kowloon Branch Office: 2380 0117
- Crime Section: 2867 3139
- Civil Litigation Section 1: 2867 3123
- Civil Litigation Section 2: 2594 7884
- Costing Unit and Enforcement Unit: 2867 3152

Members of the public may also contact the LAD for other enquiries through its 24-hour hotline (2537 7677), via email (<a href="mailto:ladinfo@lad.gov.hk">ladinfo@lad.gov.hk</a>) or by fax (2537 5948).

The department will review the prevailing public health situation and

gradually resume the provision of normal public services when conditions permit.