

# Operator and manager fined for illegal club operation

A man and a company were each fined \$2,500 at the Kowloon City Magistrates' Courts today (June 24) for contravening the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance.

The courts heard that in June last year, officers from the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA) of the Home Affairs Department conducted an inspection at a club on Hillwood Road in Tsim Sha Tsui, which had been operating with a certificate of compliance (CoC).

During the investigation, the OLA officers found that the number of people at the club exceeded the maximum allowable capacity as stipulated in the CoC. Condition 6 of the CoC was breached.

The man and the company, being the manager and the CoC holder of the club, were charged with contravening section 21(1)(a) and section 21(2) of the Ordinance respectively.

A spokesman for the department reminded all CoC holders to comply with the conditions as stipulated therein. Enforcement action will continue to be taken against illegal club operation.