

## Police arrested at least 300 people amidst illegal road blocking in various districts

From small hours to the morning today (May 27), there were violent illegal activities in various districts. Rioters set fire to miscellaneous objects, threw large objects onto railway tracks and placed iron nails on roads. In the afternoon, illegal activities became more frequent. In Mong Kok, some rioters occupied carriageways of Nathan Road, Dundas Street and Shandong Street. They ignored the safety of road users and moved large objects including road signs, mills barriers and planks to the carriageways and ran on the roads. The traffic is still severely congested as many roads were blocked. In Central, Admiralty and Causeway Bay, a lot of people gathered and yelled. The situation is worrying as offensive weapons including petrol bombs and nails were found in public places when Police were conducting patrols.

As at 5.30pm, police had arrested over 300 people for offences including possession of offensive weapons, possession of instrument fit for unlawful purpose, unlawful assembly and participating in an unlawful assembly. Three vehicles were towed away by Police.

Police will devote their full effort to combat and prevent crimes by intelligence gathering and paying close attention to the situation in various districts.