

Police warn crowds participating in unauthorised assembly in Admiralty to leave immediately

Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

Please broadcast the following message as soon as possible and repeat it at suitable intervals:

At around 6pm today (June 15), some crowds gathered and behaved in a disorderly manner in the vicinity of Pacific Place, Admiralty. Participating in such events may contravene "taking part in an unauthorised assembly" in accordance with the Public Order Ordinance, and may commit certain offences under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation. Police at scene have repeatedly warned participants to stop gathering and leave.

Police are now stepping up patrols and conducting stop-and-searches on suspicious persons in order to prevent and stop crime. Police call upon members of the public to refrain from taking part in unauthorised assemblies and prohibited group gatherings, and to avoid close contact to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.