## <u>Police warn crowds taking part in</u> <u>unauthorised assemblies in Mong Kok to</u> <u>leave immediately</u>

Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

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

At around 8pm today (June 12), some crowds gathered outside the vicinity of a shopping mall on Argyle Street, Mong Kok and behaved in a disorderly manner. Participating in such events may contravene of "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 warn participants to leave immediately.

Police will step up patrols and conduct stop-and-searches on suspicious persons. Any group gatherings taking place during the ongoing pandemic may also increase the risk of spreading the virus. Police call upon members of the public to refrain from taking part in unauthorised assemblies and prohibited group gatherings.