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To: Holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence

Gambling Ordinance (Cap. 148)
Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Condition Number 8 and Special Condition (a)

In processing mahjong/tin kau licence renewal applications recently, the Office of the Licensing Authority (the Licensing Authority) noted that there were cases where licensees had employed staff to work in mahjong parlours and carried out alternation works in licensed premises without our prior written approval.

According to mahjong/tin kau licence condition number 8 and special condition (a), no person shall be employed by the licensee and no alternation of the premises is permitted respectively without the prior written approval of the public officer.

According to section 22 of the Gambling Ordinance, where a condition of the mahjong/tin kau licence is contravened, the licensee commits an offence unless he proves that the contravention occurred is without his consent or connivance and that he exercised all due diligence to prevent it. Contravention of a condition of the mahjong/tin kau licence is liable to prosecution by the Police, and the Licensing Authority may also cancel at any time the mahjong/tin kau licence issued under section 22 of the Gambling Ordinance. You must therefore strictly comply with the Gambling Ordinance and all licensing conditions.

Should you have any enquiries on the above, please contact Licensing Officer (Miscellaneous)1 at 2117 2977.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

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