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To: Holders of Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence

Gambling Ordinance (Cap. 148)
Mahjong/Tin Kau Licence Condition Number 13
Requiring licensee or appointed agent be present at the licensed premises
at all times during the hours of play

The Licensing Authority noted that there were recent cases where none of the licensee or the appointed agent was present at the licensed mahjong/tin kau premises during the hours of play.

According to mahjong/tin kau licence condition number 13, the licensee or his appointed agent shall be present at the premises at all times during the hours of play. Under the existing arrangements, the licensee may appoint not more than two agents to assist in managing the licensed premises. As such, the licensee must ensure that either the licensee or an appointed agent is present at the licensed premises at all times during the hours of play.

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 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 Ordinance and all licensing conditions.

Should you have any enquiries on the above, please contact our Licensing Officer at 2594 5815.

Yours faithfully,
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for Chief Officer (Licensing Authority),
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