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To: All Club Certificate of Compliance Holders

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) (Amendment) Regulation 2020 (Cap. 599F)

Further to our letter dated 27 March 2020 advising the publication of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F) ("Regulation") by the Government to tackle the worsening situation of the novel coronavirus infection in Hong Kong, we would like to inform you of the latest direction issued by the Government based on the Regulation.

- 2. According to the above Regulation, the Secretary for Food and Health (the Secretary) on 27 March 2020, issued directions in accordance with section 6(1) to restrict the mode of operation of catering business, and section 8(1) to close scheduled premises, including fitness centres, party rooms, etc.
- 3. In response to the latest situation, the Government has amended the Regulation and included six more types of premises (including clubhouses, karaoke establishments, etc.) for control. According to section 8(1), the Secretary issued on 1 April 2020 another direction (<u>Annex</u>) and imposed the following requirements on clubhouses for a period of 14 days beginning at 6:00 p.m. on 1 April 2020
  - (a) any karaoke and mahjong-tin kau activities carried on at clubhouse must be suspended;
  - (b) a person must wear a mask at any time where practicable within the clubhouse;
  - (c) body temperature screening on a person must be conducted before the person is allowed to enter the clubhouse; and

(d) hand sanitizers must be provided at the clubhouse.

Since your clubhouse is issued with a Certificate of Compliance under the Clubs (Safety of Premises) Ordinance, it is subject to control under the Regulation. You shall follow the direction. According to section 9(2), a manager who, without reasonable excuse, contravenes the relevant direction commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine at level 5 and to imprisonment for 6 months.

4. The Office of the Licensing Authority of the Home Affairs Department may conduct inspections to all clubhouses issued with the Club Certificate of Compliance to ascertain the compliance to the directions if applicable. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)
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Chief Officer (Licensing Authority)
Office of the Licensing Authority

#### G.N. (E.) 22 of 2020

# PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF DISEASE (REQUIREMENTS AND DIRECTIONS) (BUSINESS AND PREMISES) REGULATION

#### Directions in Relation to Scheduled Premises

I hereby exercise the power conferred by section 8 of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599 sub. leg. F) to direct that for a period of 14 days beginning at 6:00 p.m. on 1 April 2020:—

- (1) the following premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to that Regulation:—
  - (a) Establishment (commonly known as club or nightclub) that is open late into the night, usually for drinking, and dancing or other entertainment;
  - (b) Karaoke establishment; and
  - (c) Mahjong-tin kau premises

#### must be closed.

- (2) Any karaoke and mahjong-tin kau activities carried on at club-house premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to that Regulation must be suspended.
- (3) A person must wear a mask at any time where practicable within the beauty parlour, club-house and massage establishment premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to that Regulation.
- (4) Body temperature screening on a person must be conducted before the person is allowed to enter the beauty parlour, club-house and massage establishment premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to that Regulation.
- (5) Hand sanitizers must be provided at any beauty parlour, club-house and massage establishment premises as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 to that Regulation.

1 April 2020

Secretary for Food and Health