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Dear Residents,

CRIME PREVENTION ADVISORY DURING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR

The Chinese New Year is approaching. Some of you may be planning for a vacation overseas as a result of the long weekend from 21 to 24 January 2012. Our Chinese residents may be busy shopping festive goods, exchanging new notes, making visitations, etc. We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the importance of keeping vigilant and taking crime prevention measures for a safer festive celebration.

2. We strongly encourage you to adopt the measures against the following crimes:

Housebreaking at your Home

- a. Make sure that your main doors and windows are properly secured with strong grilles and good quality locks;
- b. Do not leave large amounts of cash in your home. All cash, jewelleryes and valuable items should be kept in a bank or in a good quality safe that is anchored to the wall/floor to prevent the safe from being carted away;
- c. Consider installing a burglar alarm system that is linked to a central alarm monitoring station;
- d. If you are going on a vacation, you should also
 - i. entrust family members or neighbours to conduct regular visits to your home while you are away;
 - ii. make arrangements to suspend your newspaper subscriptions as uncollected newspapers are tell-tale signs that a house is not occupied; and
 - iii. inform your Neighbourhood Police Centre of your absence.

Theft while Shopping / Dining / Home Visitation

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- a. Never leave your handbag or wallet unattended in public places such as on a table at eateries or in a shopping trolley;
- b. Do not be distracted by strangers creating a commotion or accidentally bumping/spilling something onto you;
- c. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash with you;
- d. Do not adorn your children with excessive gold jewellery as they are easy targets for potential criminals; and
- e. Avoid placing your wallet in your back pocket and always remember to sling your handbag in front of you and ensure that it is fastened or zipped at all times.

Snatch Theft / Robbery at the ATM or bank

- a. Do not indiscriminately disclose your schedule to exchange new notes or withdraw money;
- b. Get someone to accompany you for the transaction;
- c. Be aware of stranger(s) loitering around the ATM or bank before or when withdrawing money;
- d. Conceal your notes quickly before leaving the bank outlet or ATM; and
- e. Be aware of distraction techniques employed by potential criminals such as dropping cash on the floor.

3. If you are keen to play a part in making your estate a safer place to live in, please contact **Changi Neighbourhood Police Centre at 1800 – 587 2999** to find out more about Citizens-On-Patrol (COP). You can also download the latest crime advisories and neighbourhood crime situation via our Police@SG mobile application if you are an iPhone user. If you have any information relating to a crime or wish to report suspicious person(s) loitering around our neighbourhood, do not hesitate to contact **Changi Neighbourhood Police Centre** or dial **999** for urgent Police assistance.

Yours faithfully,

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