<u>SWD sets up mobile service counter to</u> provide support for public

In light of the emotional distress which may have caused to members of the public due to the violent incident which happened in Wong Tai Sin yesterday (June 2), the Social Welfare Department (SWD) will set up a mobile service counter near the scene of the incident to provide support for those suffering from emotional distress today (June 3).

The mobile service counter will be set up outside Exit C2 of MTR Diamond Hill Station (i.e. the open area at the Public Transport Interchange outside the entrance of Plaza Hollywood). The operation hours will be from 11.45am to 6pm. The service counter will distribute pamphlets on handling emotional distress. Clinical psychologists of the SWD will also provide on-site emotional counselling for those in need.

The SWD is highly concerned about the incident, and has already approached the families of the man and the two female victims. Assistance will be rendered according to their welfare needs.

Members of the public having emotional distress due to the incident may also continue to call the 24-hour hotline of the SWD 2343 2255 or the hotline of the Hong Kong Red Cross 5164 5040 for assistance.