

Open fire in Yau Ma Tei

At about 9.45pm yesterday (November 8), a group of protestors set up barricades using miscellaneous objects at the junction of Nathan Road and Waterloo Road, Yau Ma Tei. Police officers stopped the protestors and pursued them to the junction of Nathan Road and Hamilton Street. At that time, a large group of rioters armed with offensive weapons suddenly appeared. They continued to charge Police cordon lines and hurled bricks at the Police officers at scene. The lives of the officers were under serious threat. Having given repeated warnings to the rioters in vain, a Police officer fired one warning shot into the sky.

Police appeal to members of the public to return any bullets or bullet casings if found. It is an offence for any person to possess ammunition without a license. Offenders shall be liable on conviction to a fine of \$100,000 and imprisonment for 14 years.

Police severely condemn all violence acts by the rioters and the attacks at Police officers in various districts. Police reiterate that no violent behaviour will be tolerated. Police will continue to take resolute enforcement action so as to safeguard the city's public safety and bring all lawbreakers to justice.

Rioters commit destructive acts extensively in various districts

Attention duty announcers, radio and TV stations:

Please broadcast the following message as soon as possible and repeat it at suitable intervals:

At night, rioters have set up barricades in multiple locations in Hong Kong, including Causeway Bay, Mong Kok, Tseung Kwan O, Sha Tin, Tuen Mun, and Yuen Long, causing serious obstruction to traffic. Some rioters hurled bricks and hard objects at Police officers, and charged Police cordon line at Nathan Road, Mong Kok. Some rioters also caused extensive damage to shops and public utilities, including banks and MTR stations. They also set alight debris and distribution box, seriously breaching public peace. Some rioters threw petrol bombs towards Tin Shui Wai Police Station, threatening the personal safety of Police officers and other members of public.

Police are now conducting dispersal operation in various locations. We warn the rioters to stop their illegal acts and leave immediately.

Residents of the area are advised to stay tuned to the latest situation and if necessary, keep their windows shut and stay indoors.

[Terms on Interim Injunction Order granted by the High Court to restrain doxxing and harassment against police officers and their families clarified](#)

The Hong Kong Journalists Association (HKJA) today (November 8) applied to the High Court to clarify the terms of the interim injunction order granted on October 25, 2019 (with amendments dated October 28 and October 31 in 2019).

In today's judgment, the Court recognised that there is a serious and prevalent issue of doxxing particularly against police officers and their families (including young children).

The Court also acknowledged that the Secretary for Justice is properly bringing this action as guardian of public interest.

It was common ground between the parties that:

1. Acts of doxxing of police officers and their family members are not to be supported or condoned. HKJA agrees that there are serious issues of doxxing, and that it does not seek to prevent police officers from seeking legal protection of the Court.

2. Whilst the injunction is not intended to stifle genuine and lawful journalistic activities, a journalist who engages in unlawful conduct amounting to public nuisance, harassment and/or intimidation would come within the terms of the injunction.

We reiterate that the injunction is not intended to target lawful and legitimate journalistic activities, and under the injunction granted by the Court today, journalists can continue to engage in such lawful and legitimate journalistic activities.

However, the injunction remains applicable in prohibiting acts beyond these boundaries. As emphasised by the Court in today's judgment, freedom of expression is not absolute and is subject to legitimate restrictions. It is therefore important to refrain from acts which are prohibited by Court orders, including the various injunction orders (whether interim or final). Relevantly, unlawful disclosure of personal data intended or likely to intimidate, molest, harass, threaten or pester any police officer(s) and

their families without their consent, whether by media or otherwise, would remain to be prohibited by the injunction.

Anyone who violates an injunction order may be subject to contempt of court and will be liable to a custodial sentence or be fined if held guilty of such contempt.

Early closure of some LCSD facilities

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (November 8) that due to special circumstances which may possibly happen nearby, all facilities in Victoria Park in Wan Chai District; Island East Sports Centre, Sai Wan Ho Sports Centre, Island East Swimming Pool, turf pitch and tennis courts in Quarry Bay Park, tennis courts in Sai Wan Ho Playground in Eastern District; tennis courts of Sha Tsui Road Playground in Tsuen Wan District; Fa Yuen Street Sports Centre and Fa Yuen Street Public Library Students' Study Room in Yau Tsim Mong District are closed to ensure the safety of venue users.

Subject to the situation, more cultural and leisure facilities in the same districts and any other districts which may be affected will also be closed early and at short notice to ensure the safety of venue users. Members of the public who plan to go to those venues are advised to contact the venues concerned or 1823 in advance.

Tuen Mun Swimming Pool temporarily closed

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (November 8) that Tuen Mun Swimming Pool in Tuen Mun District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of faeces in the pool.

It will be reopened at 6.30am tomorrow.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep the swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.