

HONG KONG POLICE FORCE

Warning Notice - Premises / Places
Section 153A of the Crimes Ordinance, Chapter 200

Sir / Madam,

You are hereby informed that the premises known as G/F, No.7, San Kan Street, Sheung Shui, New Territories ("the said premises"), of which you are the owner or tenant or agent of such owner or tenant, have been used in connection with an offence listed in section 153A(1)(a) of the Crimes Ordinance, Chapter 200 ("the Ordinance"), namely section 139, 143, 144 or 145 of the Ordinance.

On 30th July, 2009, Female ZHANG CUIXIA residing at M/F., No. 10, San Kung Street, Sheung Shui, New Territories was convicted of the offence of "Keeping a Vice Establishment", which was committed on 24th September, 2009 contrary to Section 139 (1) (a) of the Crime Ordinance in relation to the said premises.

Your attention is drawn to Section 153A (1) (b) and (2) (a) of the Crimes Ordinance. Should any person be convicted of a further offence under section 139, 143, 144 or 145 of the Ordinance (set out in Annex) in relation to the whole or a part of the said premises, committed within a period beginning 4 months after and ending 16 months after the date of the conviction referred to above, a closure order will be made in respect of the said premises, which will be closed and sealed for a period of six months.

Dated this 16th November, 2009

(T.P.DEAKIN)
for Commissioner of Police

Crimes Ordinance Chapter 200

Section 139. Keeping a vice establishment

(1) A person who on any occasion -

(a) Keeps any premises, vessel or place as a vice establishment; or

(b) Manages or assists in the management, or is otherwise in charge or control, of any premises, vessel or place kept as a vice establishment,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable -

(i) on summary conviction to imprisonment for 3 years; or

(ii) on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for 10 years.

(2) Where -

(a) a charge under this section is preferred against a person or is withdrawn; or

(b) a person is acquitted or convicted of, or successfully appeals against a conviction for, an offence under this section,

section 145A applies

Section 143 - Letting premises for use as a vice establishment

(1) A person who, being the owner or tenant of any premises or his agent -

(a) Lets the whole or part of the premises with the knowledge that it is to be kept, in whole or part, as a vice establishment; or

(b) Where the whole or part of the premises is used as a vice establishment willfully a party to that use continuing,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for 7 years.

(2) Where -

(a) a charge under this section is preferred against a person or is withdrawn; or

(b) a person is acquitted or convicted of, or successfully appeals against a conviction for, an offence under this section,

section 145A applies

Section 144 - Tenant etc. permitting premises or vessel to be kept as a vice establishment

(1) A person who -

(a) Being the tenant or occupier, or person in charge, of any premises permits or suffers the whole or part of the premises to be kept as a vice establishment; or

(b) Being the owner, or the master or other person in charge, of an vessel permits or suffers the whole or part of the vessel to be kept as a vice establishment,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for 7 years.

(2) Where -

(a) a charge under this section is preferred against a person or is withdrawn; or

(b) a person is acquitted or convicted of, or successfully appeals against a conviction for, an offence under this section,

section 145A applies.

Section 145 - Tenant etc. permitting premises or vessel to be used for prostitution

(1) A person who -

(a) Being the tenant or occupier, or person in charge, of any premises permits or suffers the whole or part of the premises to be used for the purposes of habitual prostitution; or

(b) Being the owner, or the master or other person in charge, of an vessel permits or suffers the whole or part of the vessel to be used for the purpose of habitual prostitution,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for 7 years.

(2) Where

(a) a charge under this section is preferred against a person or is withdrawn; or

(b) a person is acquitted or convicted of, or successfully appeals against a conviction for, an offence under this section,

section 145A applies.