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Dear Residents and Vehicle Owners

### **CRIME ALERT: THEFT FROM VEHICLE**

1. Recently, a few cases of theft from vehicle cases were reported at the open and multi-storey car-parks in the Chinatown (Upper Cross St and Park Crescent) and Tanjong Pagar (Maxwell Foodcourt) areas. The culprits usually break open the window or windscreen and target exposed belongings such as cash cards, hand phones and laptops left in the vehicles.

#### **Crime Prevention Measures**

2. Whilst the police are stepping up our patrols at the vicinity, we strongly urge the vehicle owners to safeguard their vehicles properly and to adopt the following crime prevention measures:-

- Remove the ignition key and lock your vehicle properly, even if it is left unattended for awhile.
- Avoid parking at secluded and dim areas.
- Do not leave valuables in your vehicle.
- Remove the cash card from the IU whenever you leave your vehicle.
- Use additional locking devices such as steering wheel lock, clutch and brake locks, gear lock etc
- Install an anti-vehicle theft alarm that is checked and serviced regularly.

3. You can also help to prevent crime by keeping a lookout for any suspicious person loitering in the neighbourhood. To report any crime cases, or to seek police assistance, please call Bukit Merah East Neighbourhood Police Centre (BME NPC) at 1800-236 9999 or our police hot-line at 999. Thank You.

Yours Sincerely

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