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Dear Retailers,

Crime Alert: Theft of Jewellery

Between 25 Jan and 14 Feb 2009, 2 cases of theft of jewellery by a couple were reported in shopping malls at the vicinities of Marina Square and Raffles Place.

Modus of Operandi

2. After entering the jewellery shop, the couple would request to view expensive jewellery. The male subject would choose several items and request the attending staff to wrap it while his female accomplice distracts other staff on duty. When the items are being wrapped, the male subject would ask to see more jewellery and steal some of the items being wrapped while the attending staff goes to get more jewellery. After which, the couple would inform the staff that they do not have enough money and would return after a while but never do. More than \$100,000 worth of jewellery had been stolen in both cases.

Description of Suspects

3. The suspects are described as

- 1 male and 1 female in their mid 30s
- Believed to be Indian or Middle Eastern origins

Male subject

- Medium-built with slight tummy
- Short curly hair with beard
- Sharp nose
- Height about 1.8m
- Wore a light pink long-sleeved shirt with brown pointed shoes
- Had a pouch attached to his waist

Female subject

- Thin-built
- Height about 1.6m
- Had a pony-tail
- Wore a pink v-neck blouse and light pink long skirt with black handbag

4. Police are looking for the 2 subjects below to assist in investigations.



Crime Prevention Advisory

5. We advise retailers to be more alert when dealing with customers. Culprits may distract the staff by asking to view more pieces of jewellery and commit their crime when the staff is distracted. We also advise retailers to have sufficient CCTV coverage in your premises and pay special attention to customers coming in groups.

6. In addition, if you have information on the above cases, require more crime prevention materials or wish to report any suspicious persons loitering in your premises, please do not hesitate to contact **Bukit Merah East Neighbourhood Police Centre** at **1800-236 9999** or dial **999** if urgent Police assistance is required.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tan Kiat Hee'.

**DSP TAN KIAT HEE
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