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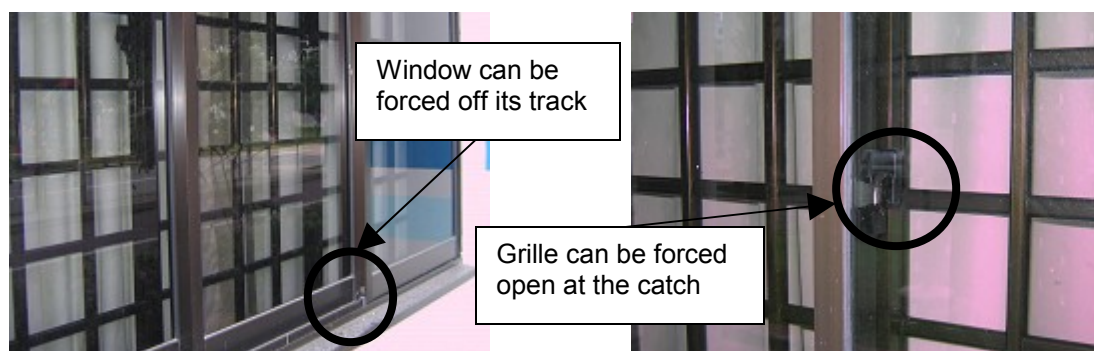
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Dear Residents,

BREAK-INS AT SILAT AVE & JALAN BUKIT MERAH

Several cases of break-ins had occurred recently at HDB units located in the vicinity of Silat Ave and Jalan Bukit Merah. The culprits gained entry into the premises, usually corridor units, by tampering with the window locks and grilles (shown below). Items stolen were usually electronic items, jewellery and cash.



2 The Police would like to reiterate the importance of having adequate security measures in your premise to reduce the risk of break-ins. You can prevent your unit from becoming the next target by adopting the following measures:

- a Secure your premises with good quality locks and strong metal grilles;
- b Install a burglar alarm and a CCTV camera system to cover the access points into your premises, i.e. windows and doors;
- c Perform cursory checks to systematically ensure that all doors and windows are locked before leaving home;
- d Refrain from keeping valuables and large amounts of cash at home;
- e Seek assistance from neighbours to keep a look out for your unit when you are not around; and

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f If you are going to be away for a prolonged period, suspend newspaper distribution, and arrange for relatives to clear your mailbox and check on your unit.

3 If you have any information relating to these break-ins, or notice any suspicious character(s) loitering around the vicinity of your premise, please dial “999” or call **Bukit Merah East Neighbourhood Police Centre** at **1800-2369999**.

Yours faithfully,



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