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Dear Tiong Bahru Residents,

### **THEFT IN DWELLING & BREAK-IN AT TIONG BAHRU ESTATE**

Several cases of theft in dwelling and one case of break-in had occurred recently at pre-war houses at Tiong Bahru Estate. It is believed that culprits gained entry into the premises by climbing onto the zinc roof and then entered the unit through the bedroom window or using keys left at the main door. Items stolen were electronic items and cash.

2 Police would like to emphasize 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 and do not leave behind any spare keys at the main door area;
- e Seek assistance from neighbours to keep a look out for your unit when you are not around; and
- f If you are going to be away for a prolonged period, suspend newspaper distribution, and arrange for trusted persons such as relatives, to clear your mailbox and check on your unit.

3 If you have any information relating to these cases, or notice any suspicious character(s) loitering around the vicinity of your premise, please call **Bukit Merah East Neighbourhood Police Centre** at **1800-2369999** or dial '999' if urgent Police assistance is required.

Yours faithfully,



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