



Press Release

Press Statement from the Independent Police Complaints Council

(Hong Kong – 20 January 2020) The Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) has noted a number of press articles relating to its Thematic Study being reported in the past week. The IPCC hereby states that contents in these reports do not represent the Council's views and no further comments will be offered. In consideration of the Judicial Review (JR) challenging the IPCC's power to carry out the Thematic Study which is already under court proceedings and respecting the pending judgement, the publication of the first interim report will be postponed. However, the IPCC will do its utmost to solicit an early determination of the JR.

The IPCC will continue its Thematic Study under the present IPCC Ordinance. The Police has been and continues to provide all necessary support and information to the IPCC from the beginning of the Thematic Study.

The IPCC will make the decision on publication arrangement of its first interim report as soon as the court has given judgment in the JR and will endeavour to include incidents arising from the Public Order Events beyond 1 July 2019 as far as practicable.

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