

## **Legislative Council Panel on Security**

### **Supplementary information on Police's measures to combat crimes directed at visitors**

#### **PURPOSE**

This paper provides further information in relation to crimes directed at visitors, in response to requests from Members at the meeting of the Panel on Security on 10 June 2004.

#### **COMPLAINT CASES TO THE POLICE**

2. Among the 57 cases of complaints made to the Police involving audio-video shops in the first quarter of 2004, only one was considered to be a crime case. In that case, one person was arrested, and the case is pending trial in the Magistrate Court in September 2004.

#### **PERSONS ARRESTED FOR PICKPOCKETING**

3. A breakdown of the 224 persons arrested on suspicion of participating in pickpocketing from January to April of 2004 is as follows.

	<b>Persons arrested</b>
Local residents	167 (74.6%)
Mainland visitors	40 (17.9%)
Overseas visitors	17 (7.6%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>224</b>

#### **VICTIMS OF PICKPOCKETING**

4. A breakdown of victims of pickpocketing during the same period is as follows.

	<b>Number of victims</b>	
Local residents	560	(86.8%)
Mainland visitors	35	(5.4%)
Overseas visitors	50	(7.8%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>645</b>	

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