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COMMON GAMING HOUSES ACT (CHAPTER 49)

COMMON GAMING HOUSES (EXEMPTION) (NO. 9) NOTIFICATION 2015

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

Paragraph

- 1. Citation
- 2. Exemption

The Schedule

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 24 of the Common Gaming Houses Act, the Minister for Home Affairs hereby makes the following Notification:

Citation

1. This Notification may be cited as the Common Gaming Houses (Exemption) (No. 9) Notification 2015.

Exemption

2.—(1) The Minister hereby exempts Nee Soon South Community Club Senior Citizens' Executive Committee (called the organiser) from the provisions of the Act in respect of —

- (a) the "Nee Soon South Community Club Active Ageing Mind Game (Mahjong) Challenge 2015" promotion to be held from 1 March 2015 to 24 May 2015 (both dates inclusive); and
- (*b*) the mahjong games to be held at the multi-purpose hall of Nee Soon South Community Club as part of that promotion from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on 24 May 2015.

(2) The exemption is subject to compliance by the organiser with the conditions specified in the Schedule.

THE SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2

CONDITIONS

- 1. The only game played must be mahjong.
- 2. All players must be PAssion Card members, at least 45 years of age and residing in the Nee Soon Group Representation Constituency.
- 3. All spectators and staff must be at least 21 years of age.
- 4. Prize sponsors must not be involved in any business related to gambling.
- 5. Advertising for the mahjong competition must be confined to posters and banners displayed within such area within the Nee Soon Group Representation Constituency as is designated by the organiser to be the Nee Soon South district.
- 6. The organiser may charge an entrance fee of \$10 to cover the cost of hosting the mahjong competition, less the value of the prizes.
- 7. Token prizes can be allowed in recognition of the skills shown by the winners.
- 8. The organiser must ensure that the rules of the game are explained clearly to all players before the start of the event.
- 9. The organiser must deploy umpires on site to referee the event and resolve any disputes.
- 10. The mahjong activities must be held indoors at the multi-purpose hall of Nee Soon South Community Club.
- 11. The multi-purpose hall of Nee Soon South Community Club must have adequate sound-proofing to minimise noise pollution.
- 12. The organiser must open up the premises for spot-checks by the police during the event.
- 13. The organiser must take all reasonable steps to ensure that there are no private deals or side-betting throughout the event.

Made on 27 February 2015.

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