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Charges tendered against 4 SMRT Service Leaders

- 1. On 29 November 2012, the Prosecution tendered charges against four SMRT Service Leaders in the Magistrate's Court:
 - i) He Jun Ling;
 - ii) Gao Yue Qiang;
 - iii) Liu Xiangying; and
 - iv) Wang Xianjie.
- 2. All four persons face a similar charge of engaging in a conspiracy with one another to instigate Service Leaders employed by SMRT Buses Ltd to take part in an illegal strike. Arising from the instigation, an illegal strike took place on 26 and 27 November 2012. Each of the four persons has thereby committed an offence under section 10(a) of the Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) Act read with section 109 of the Penal Code.
- He Jun Ling faces a second charge of inciting Service Leaders employed by SMRT Buses Ltd to take part in the illegal strike by making a post on <u>http://tieba.baidu.com</u>. This is an offence under section 10(a) of the Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) Act.
- 4. During the hearing on 29 November 2012, the Magistrate's Court granted the Prosecution's application for all four persons to be remanded in police custody for a week for further investigations to be conducted. The next hearing in the Magistrate's Court will be on 6 December 2012.
- 5. Persons who are charged for an offence under section 10(a) of the Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) Act are not entitled to be granted bail as of right. It is within the discretion of the Magistrate's Court whether and when to grant bail to them.

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