

Annex

Recent cases where action was taken under the CLTPA as prosecution was not viable because witnesses refused to give evidence in open court for fear of reprisal.

Case 1:

On 9 November 2021 at about 4.00am, a group of about 10 gang members from a secret society gathered at a rival gang member's flat armed with deadly weapons including a machete, knuckle duster and karambit (an Indonesian curved knife), with the intention of exacting revenge on the rival gang member whom they believed had assaulted their 'Headman' in a separate incident. When they found out that the rival gang member was not at home, they punched and kicked the rival gang member's parents, brother and sister who were in the flat. A foldable chair was also used as weapon during the attack. As a result, two family members suffered grievous hurt. The father suffered a facial bone fracture and was given 18 days' hospitalisation leave while the mother sustained an ulna (i.e. forearm) fracture and was given 14 days' hospitalisation leave.

Seven of the gang members were dealt with under the Act.

Case 2:

On 8 January 2022 at about 10.30pm, a gang clash involving more than 10 gang members from rival secret societies broke out at Circular Road. During the riot, gang members from one of the secret societies chased and assaulted rival gang members in public, and kicked and punched them. One member also used a karambit to stab the leg of one of the rival gang members.

Four of the gang members were dealt with under the Act.

Case 3:

Sometime in March 2019 at about 1.00am, a group of five gang members confronted the bouncers of a club located at Concorde Hotel. They had earlier been denied re-entry into the club after being ejected for shouting gang slogans within the club. They were armed with a taser, a katana sword, a short knife and a spanner. The bouncers relented and allowed the gang members to enter the club.

Four of the gang members were dealt with under the Act.

Case 4:

On 7 October 2020 at about 2.40am, a group of more than 22 gang members from a secret society gathered in the vicinity of Lorong 13 Geylang to carry out a retaliatory attack against a rival gang member, during which several gang members were armed with weapons including parangs and knuckle dusters. During the confrontation, the gang members demanded that the rival gang member pay a sum of money to them to resolve the matter. The rival gang member agreed out of fear for his safety.

Three of the gang members were dealt with under the Act.