



A police personnel escorting the six men at Kuching Court Complex.

Illegal gambling: Six men fined RM1,000 each

KUCHING: Six men, aged between 41 and 61, were each fined RM1,000 in default two weeks in jail by the Magistrates Court here yesterday, over involvement in an illegal gambling called 'hoo hey how' or 'holo'.

Magistrate Syarifah Fatimah Azura Wan Ali meted out the sentence against Joebin Nuniem, Hapy Beng, Lee Foo Siong, Jong Min Jarang, Sainie Senin and Thong Nyuk Chuan, who each pleaded guilty to the offence under Section 6(1) of the Common Gaming House Act 1953, read together with Section 34 of the Penal Code.

Conviction could result in a fine not exceeding RM5,000, or a

jail term of up to six months, or both.

The six men committed the offence inside a shophouse at Jalan Sungai Tengah Matang here, at 12.45am on Feb 15 this year.

Based on facts of the case, a team of police was conducting 'Ops Limau', where they inspected the shophouse following tip-off of 'holo' gaming being run there.

During the raid, police seized RM19,508 and also items said to be used for the activity such as aluminium can and three dices.

The case was prosecuted by Insp Ammarsofi Yusoff, while the six men were unrepresented by legal counsel.