A-G agrees to settlement for man who claimed attack

By Sandra Radice

THE damages case of a government surveyor who claimed he was punched and kicked by three police officers ended in secrecy yesterday after both parties refused to reveal details of the settlement.

Johnny Kwong Chun-leung took the Attorney-General and the three policemen to court after claiming he was assaulted and humiliated in public when the officers searched him on a Tsim Sha Tsui street.

The claim was launched in the High Court on 6 June and ended suddenly yesterday when both parties agreed on an out-of-court settlement.

"The terms of the agreement are confidential between the parties and they have agreed that they should not be made public," a Legal Department spokesman said after consulting with the Attorney-General's counsel, Kwok Suihay.

Kwong's solicitors also refused to reveal any details of the settlement.

Kwong claimed aggravated damages after he was allegely stopped on Mody Road on 28 June 1991.

He claims they said he looked like a drug dealer, swore at him, searched him then shoved him into an alley and assaulted him.

He said he was then punched and hit on the chest and claimed they acted spitefully and maliciously.

He also said he took about 23 days off work and had consulted a psychiatrist after the incident.

On the first day of the case, police officers Tang Chikeung, So Chiu-kam and Chan King-ming, along with the Attorney-General, had denied that Kwong was assaulted.