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The Special Investigation Division (SID) has been requested in writing by the Secretary General of the Presidential Office to investigate the case of alleged misappropriation of Presidential Office documents by former President Mr. Chen Shui-Bian, and said request was received by this Office on the evening of September 10, 2010. Upon receiving the request, and taking into account the urgency in preserving relevant evidence, the responsible prosecutor of SID has on September 14 applied to the Taipei District Court of Taiwan for a search warrant; a subpoena was simultaneously issued to Mr. Chen Song-shan, director of the Office of the 11th Term President (hereinafter “former President Chen’s Office”), to request that he come to this Office at 9:00am on September 15 to explain the case.

At 10:20am this morning, prosecutors of the SID – Lin Feng-wen, Xie Wei-chen and Huang Yu-feng – jointly coordinated a search by 20-plus judicial police members comprised of prosecutorial officers, security police and the Criminal Investigation Division of the Taipei City Police on the former location of former President Chen’s Office at Guanqian Road and the new location at Linyi Street.

At the former location of former President Chen’s Office at Guanqian Road, a total of 58 boxes suspected of containing documents held by former President Chen in the course of his public office were seized. The entire search effort concluded successfully at noon, in the company of Director Chen Song-shan and his legal counsel. Prosecutors of SID will invite the relevant departments and related parties to jointly unseal and inventorize the seized items as soon as possible, so as to identify the nature of the seized exhibits and clarify relevant liabilities.