

Supreme Prosecutors Office News Release

In the course of investigations in the “Zheng Ji Case” by the Special Investigation Division (SID) of the Supreme Prosecutors Office, it was found that Prosecutor Lin Tian-Lin of the Taipei District Prosecutors Office, Prosecutor Qiu Mao-Rong of the Banciao District Prosecutors Office, and Judges Chen Rong-He and Cai Guang-Zhi of the Taiwan High Court had each been involved in extramarital affairs, and had committed serious violations of the Prosecutors’ Code of Ethics and Judges’ Code of Ethics respectively. The SID Prosecutors have already indicted defendants Chen Rong-He, Cai Guang-Zhi and Qiu Mao-Rong for their criminal offenses under the Law Against Accepting Bribes Act. On January 13, 2011 the SID further transferred the relevant facts and evidence regarding the four prosecutors and judges including Lin Tian-Lin to the Ministry of Justice and Judicial Yuan respectively for consideration of sanctions.

Prosecutor Lin Tian-Lin, in addition to being involved in extramarital affairs, is also accused of two violations of the law and breaches of duty. In 2007 and 2008 former Legislative Member He Zhi-Hui was accused of several instances of corruption, which were investigated by the Anti-Corruption Center of the Taiwan High Prosecutors Office and the Taipei District Prosecutors Office. Lin Tian-Lin was lobbied by He Zhi-Hui via Cai Guang-Zhi to “help” with the investigations, and Lin had agreed to do so. According to the findings from the investigations by the SID during 2009 and 2010, Lin Tian-Lin, He Zhi-Hui and Cai Guang-Zhi had dined together in restaurants on as many as 10 occasions, although Lin had always dealt with He Zhi-Hui’s requests in a passive and perfunctory manner. At around 6~7PM on May 13, 2010, Lin Tian-Lin had also invited his friend Chen and members of the Linkou area mafia to dine together, and his conduct and behavior on said occasion were found by the SID prosecutors to be damaging to the dignity, professionalism and trust of the position of a prosecutor. Accordingly, the Supreme Prosecutors Office has also transferred this case to the Ministry of Justice for sanctioning.

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