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With regards to the report in the September 22, 2011 edition of Next Magazine that the incumbent commander of the Navy, Tung Hsiang-Lung, had assigned military personnel to clean, whitewash and repair his private residence during his term as the commanding officer of the Ministry of Defense Combined Logistics Command, and had therefore been involved in unjust enrichment and other illegalities, the prosecutors of the Special Investigation Division of this Office have concluded the related investigations on September 11, 2012.

The SID has found no record of military personnel or vehicles being assigned to Tung Hsiang-Lung's private residence for cleaning, whitewashing or repairing of pipes. The building management committee staff and downstairs neighbors of the defendant's residence at Dazhi also state that they have not seen any servicemen coming to the aforementioned residence to undertake cleaning, whitewashing or repairs. The supervisors at the Combined Logistics Command department responsible for assignments all deny that they have assigned servicemen to said residence for cleaning, whitewashing or repairing of pipes. Further, the compulsory military servicemen then responsible for the military camps and water and electrical repairs also state that they have never undertaken repairs at Tung Hsiang-Lung's Daji residence. These statements corroborate with the administrative investigation report issued by the MND General Political Warfare Bureau, which found that the defendant had not personally assigned military personnel to repair his private residence, as reported in Next Magazine. For reference, Xu O O, the person making the accusation to Next Magazine, had complained about navy commander Tung Hsiang-Lung regarding travel passes one month before making the magazine accusation, but had subsequently corrected the report of the magazine. Clearly there is still a lack of clear evidence to show that Tung Hsiang-Lung was guilty of malfeasance as claimed by Next Magazine. Therefore, one cannot directly find the defendant Tung Hsiang-Lung guilty of any illegalities merely on the basis of said magazine report, and the SID finds that there is insufficient evidence to support the complaint.