

## **Supreme Prosecutors Office News Release**

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Former Secretary-General of the Executive Yuan, Lin Yi-shi, was reported by the media as having received a bribe of NT\$63 million and solicited a bribe of NT\$83 million from Chen OO. The matter was assigned by Prosecutor-General Huang of this Office at noon on June 27, 2012 to prosecutor Cai Hong-ren, who immediately convened a meeting of the director, supervisors and prosecutors of the Special Investigation Division to discuss the investigation plan and related actions for this case. Supervisor Zhang Jin-feng and prosecutors Lu Xiao-yun, Chen Xi-zhu and Li Hong-wei have been assigned to assist with investigation of the case.

During the investigations, after coordinating with supporting investigators, prosecutorial officers, interrogation offices and vehicles from the Kaohsiung District Prosecutors Office and the High Prosecutors Office of Kaohsiung, large scale raids and 1 consented search were conducted in Taipei City and Kaohsiung on 4 occasions, totaling 33 locations. More than 80 people were interrogated before the investigations were concluded on the morning of October 25. The 5 defendants Lin Yi-shi, Peng OO, Shen OO (mother), Shen OO (elder brother) and Shen OO (younger brother) were indicted, and the defendant in custody, Lin Yi-shi, was transferred to the Taipei District Court for prosecution. Chen OO and others who were involved in bribery offenses have been assigned to the Kaohsiung District Prosecutors Office for prosecution according to law. In the course of investigating Lin Yi-shi's alleged acceptance of bribes, the Special Investigation Division found that Cai OO and Yen OO, being Vice Speakers of the Kaohsiung City Council, were also suspected of

extortion of money and property on pretexts by abuse of their powers. The Vice Speakers have been released on bails of \$3 million and \$2 million respectively, with investigation of these cases being continued by the prosecutors.

As the Judicial and Prison Affairs Commission of the Control Yuan had corrected the Ministry of Justice regarding requests of specific sentences on May 9, 2012, through a motion made by the Control Yuan members, the report on conclusion of investigations in this case therefore did not request for specific sentences in respect of the defendants Lin Yi-shi and others. In accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act that was recently enforced, other than the name of Lin Yi-shi being fully disclosed due to his previous public office of being the secretary-general of the Executive Yuan, his identity being well known due to media reports, and the case being closely related to "public interest", the identities of all other defendants, complainants, injured parties and witnesses will be withheld in all released documents in accordance with the faxed requirement from the Ministry of Justice, retaining only the last name or replacing with "O" where appropriate in the circumstances; in addresses, only the street name will be disclosed, while house numbers, telephone numbers and personal ID card numbers will be partially withheld to meet the requirement of "non-identifying".

This is the first case to be indicted under the newly inserted Article 6-1 "Offense of Unknown Property Source" of the Anti-Corruption Act. After tracing the fund flows of Chen XX's bribes, the prosecutors have not discovered the bribes having gone to any other person. Further, in the course of investigating the funds, the prosecutors have found that Shen OO (mother) was in infringement of OO Business Bank's debt claim. As this is a matter falling under the circumstance of "one person committing several offenses" described in Article 7, Paragraph 1 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in connected circumstances, the matter has also been indicted.