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With regards to media criticism that Prosecutor-General Huang's visit to the Nantou District Prosecutors Office on the very day of Nantou County Mayor Li Chao-qing being summoned for investigations was improper, Prosecutor-General Huang issues the following declaration:

Prosecutor-General Huang Shi-ming was informed on November 27, 2012 that the Nantou District Prosecutors Office was investigating the alleged corruption case of Nantou County Mayor Li Chao-qing, that the Prosecutors Office would be applying for a search warrant from the court on the 28th, and that a search of the Nantou County Government would be conducted on the 29th. All members of the prosecutorial authority should work together; as the head prosecutor of the Nantou District Prosecutors Office is acting as the chief prosecutor of the Office at the moment, and a case involving corruption by a county mayor is considered an extremely serious criminal case that would attract a great deal of public attention, Prosecutor-General Huang considered it necessary for him to take the High Speed Rail south at 12:30pm on the 29th. He arrived at the Nantou District Prosecutors Office around 2:00pm to supervise the investigations, and also to give moral support to the responsible prosecutors. As the searches and interrogations in the case continued to make breakthroughs, Prosecutor-General Huang had remained at said Office until the end of the custody court hearing on the 30th, when he then had to return to Taipei in the afternoon for other important business, taking the 1:19pm High Speed Rail. The actions taking by Prosecutor-General Huang were for supervision purposes based on the principle of "all members of the prosecutorial authority forming one body", and were based on law. They were certainly not "improper" as accused by the mass media.