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With regards to the Special Investigation Division ("SID") of the Supreme Prosecutors Office's investigations of the "March 19 President Shooting" case, the investigative acts and current progress in the case are as follows:

1. Current Progress in Investigations:

The following investigative acts have been carried out by the SID from April 19, 2010 to date:

- (1) Summons and interrogations:
 - a. In investigation of the "March 19 President Shooting", the SID has summoned a total of 128 witnesses and relevant persons, in the hope of discovering the events, facts and truths to the case.
 - b. In order to ascertain how the gun involved in the case was made and sold, the SID has interrogated Tang Sho-yi, who was extradited back to Taiwan from Mainland China to the Criminal Police Bureau of the Ministry of the Interior on January 25, 2013, the very day after his return (1/26). The interrogations were conducted by the responsible prosecutor and the prosecutorial officer at the Tainan Detention Center of the Agency of Corrections, Ministry of Justice.
- (2) Raids, monitoring of communications, and salvaging of evidence:
 Applied to the Court for 2 raids, carrying out raids on 6 locations; applied for monitoring of communications 21 times, on 109 phone lines; carried out salvaging of guns and ammunition 4 times, in the company of professional personnel.
- (3) Assessment of evidence: consulted experts and witnesses in various professional fields to discuss having the attached evidence assessed, on a total of 37 occasions; relevant items of evidence were submitted to the

various assessment institutions 10 times, in the hope of clarifying the various doubts regarding the items of evidence seized for the "March 19 President Shooting".

(4) Inspection of sites:

The responsible prosecutor and prosecutorial officer of the SID have personally inspected the site of the "March 19 President Shooting" and relevant locations a total of 27 times.

(5) Examination of relevant videotapes and CDs:

The responsible prosecutor has supervised and accompanied the prosecutorial officer in examining a total of 290 videotapes and CDs

(6) Analysis of case files:

Starting August 21, 2008 the SID reviewed a total of 750 files relating to persons involved in the case, from the various district prosecutors offices, the Bureau of Investigation of the Ministry of Justice, and the March 19 Taskforce of the Criminal Police Administration. The SID is continuing to view additional files, and analyzing the relevant evidence and information.

(7) Analysis of communication records:

So far the SID has called for 62 items of bilateral communication records preserved in relation to the March 19 shooting from the Information Center of the Criminal Police Administration, totaling 725 phone lines. These are analyzed and cross-referenced, with 3011 lines of basic information groups established in respect of relevant persons. Analysis is continuing, in the hope of clarifying the communications network of the relevant persons.

2. Future direction in the case:

The SID will continue to carefully study and investigate the relevant files, information and items of evidence, making sure that no innocent is accused but no guilty is set free. There are no preconceptions about the level of guilty persons involved, and the entire taskforce is dedicated to discovering the truth behind the "March 19 President Shooting".