## **Supreme Prosecutors Office News Release**



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With regards to investigations in the "March 19 Shooting of President and Vice-President" Case by the Special Investigation Division (SID) of the Supreme Prosecutors Office, investigative steps taken by the prosecutors and current progress of investigations are summarized below:

## 1. Current Progress of Investigations

Since April 19, 2010 to date the SID has taken the following steps in the investigations:

(1) Summons and interrogations:

The SID has conducted a total of 146 interviews of witnesses and other relevant parties in the case to date, in the hope of clarifying and uncovering the facts and modus operandi in the case.

(2) Lie detection tests:

A total of 9 lie detection tests have been conducted in respect of suspects with their consent.

(3) Raids:

The SID has lodged 3 raid applications with the courts, and conducted raids on 8 locations.

(4) Monitoring of communications:

The SID has lodged 46 applications for monitoring of communications, in respect of 175 lines.

(5) Salvaging for items of evidence:

Carried out 4 salvaging missions for guns and ammunition, in the company of relevant professionals.

(6) Assessment of items of evidence:

In order to answer the questions raised by various parties in respect of items of evidence preserved in the case, the SID has consulted expert witnesses in various professional fields on 46 occasions, discussing matters relating to submission of the preserved evidence for assessment. The items of evidence have been submitted to Taiwan and overseas assessment institutions for assessment on 14 occasions.

(7) Inspection of sites:

Responsible prosecutors and prosecutorial officers of the SID have personally inspected and examined the site of occurrence of the shooting, and other relevant sites, a total of 29 times.

(8) Viewing of video recordings and CD-Roms:

Responsible prosecutors and prosecutorial officers of the SID have collected a total of 290 sets of video tapes and CD-Roms for examination.

(9) Analysis of files:

The SID has reviewed a total of 750 files held by various district prosecutors' offices, the Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Justice, the March 19 Special Taskforce of the Criminal Police Bureau, and other relevant authorities in respect of relevant parties. The SID continues to collect such files for detailed review and analysis of evidence and information.

(10) Analysis of communication records:

The SID has collected 71 items of communication records preserved by

the Information Center Database of the Criminal Police Bureau with regards to the "March 19 Shooting of President and Vice-President" Case, and has conducted two-way cross-analysis of 749 telephone lines. It has established a basic information set of 3,088 phone lines involving relevant parties for continued analysis, in the hope of clarifying the communication network involving such relevant parties.

(11) Examination of presidential vehicle

The SID has visited the stolen goods section of the Tainan District Prosecutors' Office on 3 occasions, to examine the preserved presidential vehicle that had been used on the occasion of the March 19 shooting.

(12) Special meetings

Special meetings in the case have been held on 35 occasions to study and case and discuss various investigative steps.

## 2. Future investigative direction:

The SID will continue to study and investigate the files, information and items of evidence in the case, setting no limits on the possible ranking of persons involved and not having preconceived ideas about the case. It is dedicated to uncovering the truth about the "March 19 Shooting of the President and Vice-President".