Press Release

Taiwan Taipei District Prosecutors Office

A Township representative election bribery case busted, the first in the history of our jurisdiction. Millions in cash seized.

Head prosecutor Wang Hsin Chien and prosecutor Guo Geng Cheng investigated the bribery case of township council election of New Taipei District. After the approval of the pre-trial detention of councilman Wu and Lin on November 27 and December 18, prosecutors found that a sponsor Mr.Lu together with councilman Huang and Lin were suspected of paying bribes for one million NTD per vote in cash to the remaining elected councilmen to run for the vice chairman of the council. Prosecutors searched and interrogated Lu and applied to the Court for his detention which was approved on December 19. In the morning of December 25, at the end of the election of vice chairman of Wulai district twonship council, head prosecutor Wang and prosecutor Guo with help from prosecutor Lu, Lo and Huang , thirty investigators from Ministry of Justice Investigation Bureau, and ten police officers from Taipei City Police department Xindian branch, searched two places of Mr. Huang, the chairman of the township council. Huang and other suspects were summoned, including current vicechairman Chu, candidate Zong, several vote brokers and   some voters. At present,

1.4 million NTD cash attempting to use in buying votes has been seized.

There are seven seats in township council of Wulai district. Taipei District Prosecutors Office has investigated the bribery case and accordingly the councilman Wu and Lin were detained, while the chairman Huang, the vice chairman Chu and the councilman Chien have been bailed. Prosecutors of Taipei District Prosecutors Office have filed an invalid-election lawsuit against vice chairman Chu, councilman Wu, Lin and Chien. Our office will continue the investigation of the case thoroughly and do our best to track down the whole bribery crimesyndicates.