



Press Release

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Founder Chao of Farglory Group, former Director Lee of Finance Department of Taipei City Government, Councilor Chou of New Taipei City Council, and former Chief Staff of Construction and Planning Agency of Ministry of the Interior indicted

The indictment included corporate crimes and corruptions involving several public construction projects:

1. Taipei Dome project:

Defendant Lee was former Director of Finance Department of Taipei City Government from 1998 to 2006 and was responsible for contract negotiation and contractor selection of Taipei Dome project. Defendant Lee violated multiple regulations and illegally changed construction contracts to facilitate Farglory Group to sell surface right residence, and illegally changed liquidated damage and right to collect loyalty to benefit Farglory Group. Defendant Lee was therefore indicted for violation of Anti-Corruption Act.

2. Defendant Chao and his accomplices were indicted for breach of trust, falsifying financial reports, embezzlement, tax evasion and bribery in major residential and urban projects:

Defendant Chao and his Farglory Group executives secured other construction contracts and land development projects by giving

bribes to government officials and people involved in the decision-making process through third parties. Defendant Chao also falsified financial reports of the Farglory Group subsidiary companies to take money from those companies for his personal use and thereto offer bribes to whomever concerned.

3. Politicians were indicted for bribery and money laundry wrongdoings:

Defendant Chou offered and took bribes for construction projects in Tucheng District and Sinjhuang District of New Taipei City Government. Former Chief Executive Hsu of the semi-government Taiwan Architecture & Building Center and Mr. Hung Chia-hung, Former Head of the Urban and Rural Development Branch of the Construction and Planning Agency of the Ministry of Interior were also indicted for bribery and money laundry in connection with several veteran construction projects in Tainan city, Taichung city, and Hsinchu city.

Sentencing suggestions

Our office asked 24 years' incarceration for Defendant Chao, 10 years' incarceration for Defendant Lee and Defendant Chou, 9 year's incarceration for Defendant Hsu, and appropriate sentencings for the other defendants respectively.