



## Press Release

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**Investigation regarding fraud group selling ownership  
of columbarium for illegal fundraising**

Upon receiving a whistleblower's letter, our office initiated an investigation into a fraud group selling ownership of columbarium for illegal fundraising. The fraud group set up paper investment companies to elicit salesmen to sell ownership of columbarium to specific group of teachers and public servants. They claimed that the ownership is valuable papers which is transferable and mortgageable, and can be sold for benefit soon after purchase.

From March 2014 to August 2017, the group had fraud up to 800 million NTD and victimized hundreds of investors.

Our office formed a task force to direct investigators from MJIB, police from CIB, and prosecutor assistants to raid offices and residences of defendants with 56 search warrants. The action

successfully confiscated fraud documents, victims' list, computers, cell phones, illegal proceeds of 9.4 million NTD and 8 luxury cars.

The task force then summoned defendants and witnesses for further investigation; and later motioned to detain 12 defendants and granted by court.

Our office hereby extended our gratitude to all team members in the group for their relentless effort, and also called upon public attention to the type of crime to prevent future victims.