



## Press Release

### Taipei District Prosecutors Office

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**In response to COVID-19 outbreak, Taipei District Prosecutors Office has outwardly strengthened its horizontal connections among government agencies, meanwhile inwardly organized a drill of separative and mixed working units.**

Taipei District Prosecutors Office (hereinafter “TDPO” or this office) has strengthened its horizontal coordination with the National Police Agency, the Justice Investigation Bureau, the Ministry of Health and Welfare, the Administrative Enforcement Agency, the Coast Guard Administration, the National Immigration Agency, the Consumer Protection Committee, the Customs Administration, the Pharmacists Association, the National Taxation Bureau, the Environmental Protection Administration, the Food and Drug Administration, the Institute of Forensic Medicine. We are dealing with tasks concerning bringing inbound wanted criminals traveling from epidemic-alerted areas and required to undergo home-quarantine to justice, the procedure of forensic examination of corpses, investigations on illegal hoarding of epidemic

prevention resources, resources management and inspection, clarification and severe punishment of fake news or false information. We aim to maintain keen and close connections, coordination, timely response to urgent events and cooperation among government agencies as a whole, and hence the sense of security of the people.

Inwardly, in response to the trend of gradual severity of COVID-19, TDPO commenced a drill of separative and mixtured working units this afternoon, aiming to avoid cluster infections in the offices and to ensure its daily works can be smoothly carried out. Part of the staff in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd office building headed to the separative and mixtured offices in accordance with “TDPO’s adaptive planning on office premises in response to COVID-19”, and operated the internal and external network connections, the tryouts on telephone communications, the commonly used official systems by actually logging in, in order to ensure that our duties would be well-functioned and not be affected by the pandemic.

TDPO adopts separative-and-mixtured-working-unit manner and enforces an adaptive planning on office premises, meaning it moves a part of its staff from the original regular offices to the meeting rooms or other buildings, in order to avoid the spread of the epidemic. It also dispatches some of its employees from their original offices to the other offices to work with employees from different divisions. In doing so, it helps to reduce the risk of a

whole-sector quarantine and a state of suspension of their duties. To maintain well-functioned affairs, and to develop adaptive measures on workforce and office premises in advance, this office has established a COVID-19 adaptive tasking group on February 26, 2020, and called for the 1st conference on March 2, 2020. TDPO also actively cooperates with the National Health Command Center and follows all the measures announced by it, dealing with each epidemic intelligence with prudence. In this fast changing atmosphere of the pandemic, TDPO sticks to its duties, continuingly works on criminal investigation, pulls off the judicial efficacy and protects people's rights and interests.