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Taipei District Prosecutors Office has concluded its investigation on a sexual offense crime perpetrated by the defendant Mao. The results are as follows :

I. The investigation was conducted by the women's and children's protection division of Taipei City Police Department under the command of prosecutor Ting, Huan-Che.

II. Investigation Results:

1. The defendant Mao has been indicted.
2. Charges :
 - A. Offenses of aggravated rape under the Article 222, paragraph 1, subparagraph 2 and 9 of the Criminal Code, aggravated forcible indecency under Article 224-1 and Article 222, Paragraph 1, Subparagraphs 2 and 9 of the Criminal Code, causing a child to be filmed in sexual imagery through violence or against the child's will under Article 36, paragraph 3 of the Child and Youth Sexual Exploitation Prevention Act.
 - B. Violations of the first part of Article 112, paragraph 1 of

the Protection of Child and Youths Welfare and Rights Act, intentionally filming the private parts of a child's body without a justified reason under Article 315-1, subparagraph 2 of the Criminal Code, violations of Articles 41 and 19, paragraph 1 of the Personal Data Protection Act for a non-governmental agency illegally collecting or processing a child's personal data.

- C. Possessing a child or a juvenile's sexual imagery without a justified reason, as stipulated in Article 39, paragraph 1 of the Child and Youth Sexual Exploitation Prevention Act prior to its amendment on August 7, 2024.

III. Brief Fact :

1. The Defendant was a sitter at a child care center in Taipei City. From July or August 2021, the defendant had also worked as a educare giver at a preschool in Taipei City, and was responsible for the caring and education in the abovementioned facilities. The Defendant took advantage of his position to rape or molest the children at the facilities and has used a mobile phone or other similar devices to film the conducts and to secretly film the sexual images of the children. (The number of identified victims is 39.)
2. From February 17, 2023, the defendant frequented public places, such as restaurants and shopping malls, where he targeted minors under the age of 18, and used mobile phones, hidden cameras to secretly film the sexual images of the victims. A total of 306 criminal conduct have been identified.

3. On a date prior to September 17, 2022, the defendant used a mobile phone to log into the surveillance system of the preschool and, without authorization, downloaded the footage of children changing clothes in the classroom, which was then saved to the defendant's personal electronic devices.
4. Starting from February 17, 2023, the defendant continued to possess sexual imagery, including pictures and videos, of unidentified children or juveniles in his personal electronic devices, which had been downloaded or received through messaging applications such as Telegram.

IV. Sentencing opinion :

In consideration of the defendant's ruthless harm to the children and hundreds of victims were deeply hurt, leaving numerous families in profound grief that remains unresolved to this day—and with reference to the legislative intent of the criminal penalties involved in this case as well as the relevant guidelines under the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the prosecutor respectfully recommended that the court impose the maximum sentence on the defendant.

V. Other information :

The defendant's mobile phones, computers, portable storage devices seized during the two searches in this case were immediately sent to the Digital Forensic Lab of Taipei district prosecutors office for comprehensive digital forensics. During the process, deleted files were restored.

Upon review, no evidence was found indicating that the defendant had leaked any sexual imagery of the victims in this case.