## Ex-IO chairman in court for allegedly pocketing \$390,000

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A former chairman of the incorporated owners (IO) of a residential estate appeared in the Fanling Magistracy today (Monday) after being charged by the ICAC with pocketing IO funds totalling about \$390,000.

Ku Wing-kun, 57, former chairman of the IO of Jade Plaza, who was charged last Thursday (August 7), faced two counts of theft.

The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charges. Principal magistrate Ms Bernadette Woo Huey-fang adjourned the case until October 14 for a pre-trial review and October 28 for a trial.

The case arose from a complaint alleging the defendant of having used false documents to deceive IO funds, contrary to Section 9(3) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance. Subsequent ICAC enquiries revealed the above alleged theft offences.

At the material time, the defendant was the chairman of the management committee of the IO of Jade Plaza in Tai Po.

One of the charges alleged that on November 20, 2009, the defendant appropriated a sum of \$50,000 from the bank account of the IO of Jade Plaza.

The other charge alleged that on February 4, 2010, the defendant appropriated another sum of \$339,946 from the bank account of the IO of Jade Plaza.

The defendant was granted cash bail of \$100,000.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Lau Ka-ki.

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## 廉署起訴業主立案法團前主席涉嫌 盜取三十九萬元今提堂

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廉政公署落案起訴一名屋苑業主立案法團前主席·涉嫌盜取法團款項合共約三十九萬元。被告今日(星期一)在粉嶺裁判法院應訊。

顧永根·五十七歲·翠屏花園業主立案法團前主席·於上星期四(八月七日)被廉署控以兩項盜竊罪名。 被告否認有關控罪。主任裁判官吳蕙芳將案件押後至十月十四日進行預審·並排期於十月二十八日審 訊。

廉署早前接獲舉報·指被告涉嫌利用虛假文件詐騙法團款項·違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(3)條。廉署在調查後揭發上述涉嫌盜竊罪行。

被告於案發時是大埔翠屏花園業主立案法團管理委員會的主席。

其中一項控罪指被告涉嫌於二〇〇九年十一月二十日,從翠屏花園法團銀行戶口,挪佔一筆五萬元款項。

另一項控罪指被告涉嫌於二〇一〇年二月四日,從翠屏花園法團銀行戶口,挪佔另一筆三十三萬九千九百四十六元款項。

被告獲准以現金十萬元保釋。

控方今日由廉署人員劉家琪代表出庭。

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