

Ex-security supervisor jailed for accepting bribes over employment of guards

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A former supervisor of a security company, charged by the ICAC, was today (Monday) sentenced to six months' imprisonment at Eastern Magistracy for soliciting and accepting bribes totalling \$11,000 in relation to the employment of security guards.

Anthony Wong Kwok-keung, 35, former security supervisor of Express Security Limited (ESL), was earlier found guilty of five counts of agent accepting an advantage and two of soliciting an advantage, contrary to section 9(1)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance.

Magistrate Henry Mierczak also ordered the defendant to pay \$9,500 in restitution to ESL.

The court heard that at the time of the offences, Wong was employed by ESL which provided security service to Banyan Villas in Stanley.

Wong was responsible for recruiting and supervising security guards.

In January 2009, during an interview with a Pakistani person, Wong requested and accepted \$1,500 in return for employing the latter as a security guard at Banyan Villas.

The aforesaid guard subsequently introduced to the defendant some friends who were also looking for work.

Between February and April 2009, Wong had solicited and accepted "tea money", ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000 on each occasion, from six other Pakistani males as rewards for their employment.

The court heard that the defendant had accepted a total of \$9,500 in bribes from six of the aforesaid persons, who were subsequently employed by ESL on the recommendation of the defendant.

The prosecution was today represented by Public Prosecutor Margaret Lau, assisted by ICAC officer Henry Lung.