

## Duo in court for alleged bribes-for-employment

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Two former employees of a subcontractor of the Kai Tak Development Project (KTDP) appeared at the Kowloon City Magistracy today (Monday) after being charged by the ICAC with accepting about \$50,000 in bribes in relation to the employment of 11 welders for the project.

Wong Leung-tung, 56, former foreman of Yee Hop Engineering Company Limited (Yee Hop), faced 10 counts of agent accepting an advantage, contrary to Section 9(1)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance, while Yu Hung-bun, 60, former welder of Yee Hop, faced a similar charge.

The defendants pleaded not guilty to the charges today. Principal Magistrate Mr Peter Law Tak-chuen adjourned the case to March 4 this year for a pre-trial review.

At the material time, Yee Hop was a subcontractor of the excavation work of the KTDP.

While employed by Yee Hop, Wong was tasked to recruit welders for the project and assign work to them. Yu, who was recruited by Wong as a welder, was promoted to team leader in November 2011 to supervise welders working for the project.

Ten of the charges alleged that between October 22, 2011 and January 9, 2012, Wong accepted a total of over \$47,600 in bribes from 10 welders as rewards for employing and/or continuing to employ them to work for Yee Hop.

The remaining charge alleged that on January 7, 2012, Yu accepted a bribe of \$1,600 from another welder for the same purpose.

Wong and Yu were granted cash bail of \$5,000 and \$1,000 respectively. They were also ordered not to interfere with prosecution witnesses and not to leave Hong Kong.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Krystie Cheng.

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## 廉署起訴二人就僱用焊工涉嫌收賄 今提堂

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廉政公署落案起訴兩名啓德發展計劃承辦商的前僱員，控告他們為該計劃僱用十一名燒焊工人時，涉嫌收受共約五萬元賄款。被告今日(星期一)在九龍城裁判法院應訊。

王良棟，五十六歲，義合工程有限公司(「義合」)前管工，被控十項代理人收受利益罪名，涉嫌違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(1)(a)條；而余鴻彬，六十歲，「義合」前燒焊工人，被控一項相類罪名。

被告今日否認控罪。裁判官羅德泉將案件押後至本年三月四日進行預審。

「義合」於案發時是啓德發展計劃的挖掘工程承辦商。

黃受僱於「義合」時負責為該計劃招聘燒焊工人及分配工作予他們。余經黃招聘為聘燒焊工人，並於二〇一一年十一月獲晉升為燒焊工目。

其中十項控罪指黃於二〇一一年十月二十二日至二〇一二年一月九日期間，涉嫌向十名燒焊工人接受共逾四萬七千六百元賄款，作為僱用及/或繼續僱用有關燒焊工人為「義合」工作的報酬。

餘下控罪指余於二〇一二年一月七日，涉嫌以相同目的接受另一名燒焊工人一千六百元賄款。

黃及余分別獲准以現金五千元及一千元保釋。他們亦受命不得騷擾控方證人及不准離開香港。

控方今日由廉署人員鄭莎代表出庭。

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