Man faces additional charges over 2015 DC Election

A person, who was earlier charged by the ICAC with bribing prospective candidates of the 2015 District Council (DC) Election, was today (Friday) laid with three additional charges when he appeared at the Eastern Magistracy.

Cheng Wing-kin, 31, a waiter, faced three additional charges – two of engaging in corrupt conduct at an election, contrary to Section 7(1)(a) and Section 7(1)(c) of the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance (ECICO) respectively; and one of conspiracy to engage in corrupt conduct at an election, contrary to Section 7(1)(g) of the ECICO and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

Cheng now faced a total of eight charges, including the three additional charges laid against him today.

One of the additional charges alleged that on July 29, 2015, Cheng engaged in corrupt conduct at the 2015 DC Election by offering \$150,000 to a person as an inducement for that person to stand as a candidate at a specified geographical constituency of the election.

Another charge alleged that between July 12 and September 24, 2015, Cheng engaged in corrupt conduct at the election by offering a sum of not less than \$10,000 to another person as an inducement for that person to get a third person to stand as a candidate at a specified geographical constituency of the election.

The remaining charge alleged that between July 12 and August 9, 2015, Cheng conspired with Ku Ka-ho, Chan Kin-loong and another person for Ku to engage in corrupt conduct at the election by accepting from Cheng a sum of money between \$150,000 and \$200,000 as an inducement for Ku to get Chan to stand as a candidate at a specified geographical constituency of the election.

Ku, 32, a renovation worker, and Chan, 37, a merchant, who were also charged by the ICAC with a joint count of conspiracy to engage in corrupt conduct at the election, appeared at the Eastern Magistracy in a separate case for mention today.

No plea was taken from Cheng, Ku and Chan today. Upon an application from the prosecution, Principal Magistrate Ms Bina Chainrai adjourned the two cases to December 21 this year for mention, pending transfer to the District Court.

Cheng was granted cash bail of \$3,000, while Ku and Chan were on cash bail of \$10,000 each. They were also ordered to surrender their travel documents, not to leave Hong Kong, report to the Police thrice a week, and not to interfere with prosecution witnesses.

The prosecution was today represented by Acting Senior Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions Beney Wong, assisted by ICAC officer Vani Wan.

男子涉二〇一五年區議會選舉舞弊被廉署加控罪名

一名男子涉嫌賄賂二〇一五年區議會選舉準候選人,早前被廉政公署拘控。被告今日(星期五)在東區裁 判法院應訊時被加控三項罪名。

鄭 永健,三十一歲,侍應,被加控三項罪名,即兩項在選舉中作出舞弊行為,涉嫌分別違反《選舉(舞 弊及非法行為)條例》第7(1)(a)條及第7(1)(c)條;以及一項串謀在選舉中作出舞弊行為,涉嫌違反《選 舉(舞弊及非法行為)條例》第7(1)(g)條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

鄭永健現被控共八項罪名,包括今日新增控告的三項罪名。

其中一項新增控罪指鄭永健涉嫌於二〇一五年七月二十九日,在二〇一五年區議會選舉中作出舞弊行為,即向一名人士提供一筆十五萬元的款項,作為該名人士在該選舉某個指明的地方選區中參選的誘因。

另一項控罪指鄭永健涉嫌於二〇一五年七月十二日至九月二十四日期間,在該選舉中作出舞弊行為,即 向另一名人士提供一筆不少於一萬元的款項,作為該名人士令一名第三者在該選舉某個指明的地方選區 中參選的誘因。

餘下控罪指鄭永健涉嫌於二〇一五年七月十二日至八月九日期間,一起與顧家豪、陳建隆及另一名人士 串謀使顧家豪在該選舉中作出舞弊行為,即從鄭永健收受一筆十五萬元至二十萬元的款項,作為顧家豪 令陳建隆在該選舉某個指明的地方選區中參選的誘因。

顧家豪,三十二歲,裝修工人,及陳建隆,三十七歲,商人,亦於另案被廉署控以一項串謀在該選舉中 作出舞弊行為罪名。他們今日在東區裁判法院應訊。

三名被告今日均毋須答辯。主任裁判官錢禮批准控方的申請,將兩宗案件押後至本年十二月二十一日再提訊,以待兩案轉介區域法院審理。

鄭永健獲准以現金三千元保釋,而顧家豪及陳建隆則各獲准以現金一萬元保釋。三名被告亦受命須交出旅遊證件、不准離開香港、每星期向警方報到三次及不得騷擾控方證人。

控方今日由署理高級助理刑事檢控專員黃志偉代表出庭, 並由廉署人員溫翠莉協助。