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Consultancy firm operator gets 16 months' jail for \$680,000 bribery over HKJC membership application

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An operator of a membership consultancy firm, charged by the ICAC, was today (December 31) sentenced to 16 months' imprisonment at the District Court for having conspired with members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) to accept a share of a \$680,000 bribe for assisting a person in applying for its racing membership.

Vincent Wai Jun-feng, 53, operator of Potential Membership Centre Limited (Potential), was earlier found guilty of one count of conspiracy for an agent to accept an advantage, contrary to Section 9(1)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

In sentencing, Judge Gary Lam Kar-yan said the defendant had played a crucial role in the scheme which could not have been procured without his participation. Had the transaction been completed, the defendant would have received a jail term of at least two years.

The court heard that at the material times, the defendant was the operator of Potential which assisted its customers to apply for memberships of local clubs, including HKJC membership.

An applicant for the racing membership and/or full membership of the HKJC should obtain an application form from the proposing voting member. The application must be separately proposed and seconded by one voting member and supported by three other individual full or racing members.

The HKJC prohibits its members from soliciting or accepting any advantage for proposing, seconding and supporting a membership application.

The court heard that between May 27 and July 14, 2016, the defendant conspired with a man known as "Mr Mok" and unknown members of the HKJC for those members to accept an unknown sum being part of \$680,000 from a person known as "Ming Gor" to provide an application form for racing membership of the HKJC to "Ming Gor", and to act favourably in proposing, seconding and supporting the application by "Ming Gor" for racing membership of the HKJC.

The case arose from a corruption complaint referred by the HKJC, which had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The prosecution was today represented by prosecuting counsel Priscilia Lam, assisted by ICAC officers Winnie Wong and Brian Tse.

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新聞公佈

顧問公司經營者涉六十八萬元馬會會籍貪污案判囚十六個月

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一名會籍顧問公司經營者串謀使多名香港賽馬會(馬會)會員,收受一筆六十八萬元賄款的部分款項,以協助一名人士申請馬會賽馬會員會籍,早前被廉政公署起訴。被告今日(十二月三十一日)在區域法院被判入獄十六個月。

章駿鋒,五十三歲,傲群會籍有限公司(傲群)經營者,早前被裁定一項串謀使代理人接受利益罪名成立,違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(1)(a)條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

法官林嘉欣判刑時稱,被告在案件中扮演重要角色,沒有被告的參與,有關勾當未能成事,倘若有關交易完成,他會被判監至少兩年。

案情透露,被告於案發時是傲群的經營者,該公司是一間協助客戶申請本地會所會籍的顧問公司,有關會籍包括馬會會籍。

馬會賽馬會員會籍及/或全費會籍申請人須從打算提名他/她的遴選會員獲得申請表。有關申請須分別由各一位遴選會員提名及附議,並由另外三位全費或賽馬會員支持。

馬會嚴禁其會員就提名、附議及支持會籍申請的相關事宜索取或接受任何利益。

案情透露,被告於二○一六年五月二十七日至七月十四日期間,與一名稱為「莫先生」的男子及一些身份不詳的馬會會員串謀,使該些會員從一名稱為「明哥」的人士接受一筆六十八萬元的部分金額不詳款項,以向「明哥」提供馬會賽馬會員會籍申請表,以及在提名、附議和支持「明哥」申請馬會賽馬會員會籍一事上予以優待。

廉署接獲馬會轉介的貪污投訴後展開調查。馬會在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由控方大律師林芷瑩代表出庭,並由廉署人員黃紅維及謝旭樺協助。 返回目錄

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