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Eleven jailed for bribery and vote-rigging in ITFC of 2016 LegCo Election

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Eleven persons, including four persons associated with a taxi association, charged by the ICAC, were today (October 22) sentenced to jail terms up to 12 months at the District Court for their roles in a bribery and vote-rigging scam for 118 persons to register as members of a professional organisation with false qualifications and to become electors of the Information Technology Functional Constituency (ITFC) of the 2016 Legislative Council (LegCo) General Election, facilitating them to vote for a particular candidate at the election.

Li Wai-man, 54, then corporate affairs director of Taxi Drivers & Operators Association (TDOA), and Yeung Yiu-hung, 35, then vice secretary of TDOA, were respectively jailed for 12 months and 8 months. Poon Saufong, 53, then clerk of TDOA, and Lui Ah-fook, 47, then executive committee member of TDOA, were both sentenced to seven months' imprisonment.

Lui Wai-fong, 42, and Lui King-yin, 25, respectively younger sister and son of Lui Ah-fook, and Lui Wai-fong's brother-in-law, Chan Ki-nam, 50, were sentenced to jail terms ranging from two months and 24 days to three months and 12 days.

The seven defendants earlier pleaded guilty to multiple counts of conspiracy to defraud, conspiracy to engage in corrupt conduct at an election by offering an advantage to others and engaging in corrupt conduct at an election by accepting an advantage.

Co-defendants Chan Wing-hang, Kwok Ka-kin, Lim Chak-him and Ng Ka-ho, aged between 23 and 24, received jail terms ranging from six weeks to three months. They were each convicted of one count of engaging in corrupt conduct at an election by accepting an advantage after trial.

The Luis, Chan Wing-hang, Ng and Chan Ki-nam were also ordered to pay \$700 to \$1,000 each to the court.

In sentencing, Judge Katherine Lo Kit-yee said the offences committed by the defendants undermined the integrity of the election, which warranted deterrent custodial sentences.

The ICAC has issued guidelines to specified bodies under LegCo Functional Constituencies to assist them to strengthen their membership administration, so as to prevent vote-rigging by ineligible persons obtaining membership in the specified bodies by deception and then voting in the respective elections. The ICAC has also provided corruption prevention advice to specified bodies participating for the first time in the upcoming LegCo Election.

The ICAC reminds members of the public that bribing electors is a corrupt conduct and a serious offence. Anyone should refrain from offering advantages, refreshments or entertainment at an election in exchange for votes. All stakeholders in public elections, including the upcoming LegCo Election, should abide by the law and uphold a clean election.

For the upcoming LegCo Election, the ICAC has kicked off a series of multi-faceted education and publicity programmes to promote a clean election culture and help all stakeholders understand the provisions of the ECICO and anti-bribery messages.

The 2016 LegCo General Election was held on September 4, 2016 and two candidates competed in the ITFC. At the material time, Li conspired together with Yeung Yiu-hung and Poon to defraud the Registration and Electoral Office (REO) by applying for full membership in the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., Hong Kong Section (IEEE) for TDOA members with false information about their professional qualification and education, making applications to the REO for registration in the ITFC by those persons and inducing the latter to approve applications, so that they would be entitled to vote in the ITFC.

With Li's knowledge, Lui Ah-fook invited his three younger sisters to join an "IT Club" for \$1,000 each, under a condition that the trio were required to register as voters and vote as instructed in the ITFC of above election (the scheme). Lui Wai-fong also extended the invitation to Chan Ki-nam, while Lui King-yin mentioned the scheme with Chan Wing-hang, Kwok, Lim and Ng. Lui Ah-fook then forwarded personal particulars of 36 persons to Li in the same month.

As a result, about 127 persons, including Li, Yeung Yiu-hung, Poon, and the aforesaid 36 persons associated with the Luis, were registered as full members of the IEEE. Relevant membership fees was paid by Yeung Yiu-hung with his credit cards, which was subsequently settled by Li, mostly through cash deposit at automatic teller machines.

Afterwards the REO received the voter registration forms of 124 persons, ICAC investigation discovered that they all carried the same typo. A total of 118 of them were included in the 2016 Final Register of Electors of the ITFC.

Lui Wai-fong, Lui King-yin and Chan Ki-nam subsequently each collected \$1,000 from Lui Ah-fook, while Lui King-yin paid Chan Wing-hang, Kwok, Lim and Ng each \$700 to \$850.

In addition, Li urged Yeung Yiu-hung, Lui Ah-fook and Lui Wai-fong to vote for Yeung Chuen-sing who competed in the ITFC at the election. Lui Wai-fong and Lui King-yin also made the same appeal to their associates on the polling day. Yeung Chuen-sing's rival was elected at the end.

The REO had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The prosecution was today represented by Senior Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions David Chan, prosecuting counsel Newman Wong and Arthur Wong, and Public Prosecutor Dimitri Au-Yeung, assisted by ICAC officer Oscar Lau.

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新聞公佈

2016年立法會資訊科技界選舉賄選種票案11人判刑最高12個月

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廉政公署早前落案起訴11人,當中包括四名與一個的士協會有關的人士,控告他們參與賄選及種票勾當,致使118人以虛假資歷登記專業團體會員,並成為2016年立法會換屆選舉資訊科技界功能界別(資訊科技界)選民,以便他們在選舉中投票予某候選人,11人今日(10月22日)在區域法院判囚最高12個月。

的士司機從業員總會(的總)時任會務總監李為民·54歲·及的總時任副秘書長楊耀鴻·35歲·分別判入獄12個月及8個月;的總時任文員潘秀芳·53歲·及的總時任幹事雷亞福·47歲·同判處監禁7個月。

雷亞福妹妹雷偉芳·42歲·兒子雷敬賢·25歲·以及雷偉芳丈夫的姐夫陳琪南·50歲·刑期為2個月24日至3個月12日。

其中七名被告早前承認多項罪名,即串謀詐騙、串謀在選舉中作出舞弊行為提供利益予他人,以及 在選舉中作出舞弊行為接受利益。

同案被告陳永鏗、郭家健、林澤謙及吳嘉浩,年齡介乎23至24歲,經審訊後各被裁定一項在選舉中 作出舞弊行為接受利益罪名成立,判處監禁6個星期至3個月。

雷氏各被告、陳永鏗、吳嘉浩及陳琪南亦被判須向法庭各繳付700元至1,000元。

法官勞潔儀判刑時表示被告所犯罪行影響選舉廉潔,須判處阻嚇性監禁刑罰。

廉署已向立法會功能界別下的指明團體發放指引,協助他們加強會籍管理,以防範不合資格人士透過騙取會籍而獲得相關選舉的投票權,從而進行種票。廉署亦向首次參與即將舉行的立法會選舉的 指明團體提供了防貪建議。

廉署提醒市民, 賄選屬舞弊行為, 是嚴重罪行, 任何人都不應在選舉中藉提供利益、飲食或娛樂以換取選票。各項公共選舉, 包括即將進行的立法會選舉的持份者, 都應該遵守相關法規, 共同維護 廉潔選舉。

就即將舉行的立法會選舉·廉署已展開多元化教育及宣傳活動·推廣廉潔選舉文化·並協助各持份者了解《選舉(舞弊及非法行為)條例》的條文及防止賄選買票的信息。

2016年立法會換屆選舉於2016年9月4日舉行。資訊科技界議席由兩名候選人競逐。案發時李為民、 楊耀鴻及潘秀芳一同串謀詐騙選舉事務處,為的總會員以虛假專業資格及學歷資料向電機暨電子工 程師學會香港分會(IEEE)申請成為正式會員,然後向選舉事務處申請登記該些人成為資訊科技界選 民,並誘使對方批准申請,使他們有權在資訊科技界選舉中投票。

雷亞福在李為民知情下,邀請三位妹妹加入一個「IT產業會」,以每人獲取1,000元,但三人必須登記成為選民,並在上述選舉資訊科技界中按指示投票(該計劃)。雷偉芳亦邀請陳琪南參加該計劃,雷敬賢則向陳永鏗、郭家健、林澤謙及吳嘉浩等提及該計劃。雷亞福其後把36人的個人資料轉發給李為民。

約127人因而登記為IEEE正式會員,當中包括李為民、楊耀鴻、潘秀芳,以及上述與雷氏一家有關的36人。相關的會籍申請費用以楊耀鴻數張信用卡繳付,而費用最終由李為民支付,當中大部分以現金透過自動櫃員機存入。

選舉事務處其後收到124人的選民登記表,廉署調查發現有關表格上均載有同一個錯字,上述其中 118人獲加入2016年資訊科技界的正式選民登記冊內。

雷偉芳、雷敬賢及陳琪南其後各自從雷亞福收取1,000元。雷敬賢則分別支付700元至850元予陳永 鏗、郭家健、林澤謙及吳嘉浩。

李為民並呼籲楊耀鴻、雷亞福及雷偉芳投票給上述選舉資訊科技界候選人楊全盛。雷偉芳及雷敬賢 於投票日向其相關人士中作出同樣呼籲。楊全盛的競選對手最終當選。

選舉事務處在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由高級助理刑事檢控專員陳大偉、大律師王興偉及黃志遠,以及檢控官歐陽巽熙出庭,並由廉署人員劉藻桓協助。

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