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Director and senior sales manager of contractor charged by ICAC jailed for bribery over HK\$34m Macao hotel air-conditioning maintenance contracts

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A then director and a then senior sales manager of two air-conditioning maintenance contractors, charged by the ICAC, were today (November 21) respectively sentenced to two years and one and a half years in jail at the District Court for offering bribes of over HK\$1 million to a then director of a hotel group for air-conditioning maintenance contracts of a hotel in Macao worth totalling around HK\$34 million.

Woo Tak-hoi, 56, then director of Wai Luen Air-conditioning Limited (Wai Luen), was sentenced to two years' imprisonment. He was earlier convicted of two counts of conspiracy to offer advantages to an agent, contrary to Section 9(2)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (POBO) and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

Li Kin-wang, 60, then senior sales manager of Oh Luen Air Conditioning Equipment Limited (Oh Luen), received a jail term of one and a half years. He earlier pleaded guilty to the above two bribery charges and three other counts of offering advantage to an agent, contrary to Section 9(2)(a) of the POBO.

In sentencing, Judge Mr Frankie Yiu Fun-che remarked that offering advantages to an agent was a serious offence and that the court would not tolerate any corrupt acts. The present case involved bribes of over HK\$1 million offered over the span of two and a half years, hence custodial sentences were inevitable.

At the material time, Oh Luen and Wai Luen were companies respectively established in Macao and Hong Kong for providing air-conditioning installation and maintenance services to customers. Both companies were operated by the same proprietor. Li was responsible for Oh Luen's daily operation including submitting quotations to other companies for sourcing businesses. Li was required to report to Woo about Oh Luen's operational matters.

Since 2013, Oh Luen had been an approved supplier of Wynn Resorts (Macau) S.A. (Wynn), which operated hotels and casinos in Macao. Wynn prohibited its staff from soliciting or accepting advantages from suppliers / contractors when discharging their duties.

The court heard that Li got acquainted with a then director of Wynn in 2014. The then director solicited bribes from Li in exchange for the opportunities for Oh Luen to submit quotations or tenders to Wynn over air-conditioning system maintenance services. Both Woo and Li agreed to bribe the director in order to secure more businesses for Oh Luen.

Between June 2014 and July 2015, Li offered three bribes totalling over HK\$450,000 to the director by cheque or bank transfer in Hong Kong. During the period, the businesses between Oh Luen and Wynn increased.

Between November 2016 and January 2017, Woo and Li, in Hong Kong, conspired to pay two bribes

totalling HK\$560,000 to the director.

Hong Kong ICAC enquiries revealed that between 2014 and 2017, Wynn had awarded numerous air-conditioning maintenance contracts worth around HK\$34 million in total to Oh Luen.

Wynn had rendered full assistance to the Hong Kong ICAC during its investigation into the case. The Hong Kong ICAC was grateful to the Macao Commission Against Corruption for its invaluable assistance to the Commission during its investigation into the case, including arranging interviews with witnesses in Macao.

The prosecution was today represented by Acting Senior Public Prosecutor Douglas Lau, assisted by ICAC officer Leung Po-shan.

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新聞公佈

承辦商董事及經理行賄獲3,400萬港元澳門酒店冷氣維修合約遭廉署起訴判囚兩年及一年半

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香港廉政公署早前落案起訴兩間冷氣工程維修承辦商的時任董事及時任高級銷售經理，向一名酒店集團時任總監提供賄款逾100萬港元，以獲取集團在澳門一間酒店的冷氣維修合約，總值3,400萬港元。兩名被告今日(11月21日)在區域法院分別被判入獄兩年及一年半。

胡德海，56歲，偉聯空調設備有限公司(偉聯)前董事，被判入獄兩年。他早前被裁定兩項串謀向代理人提供利益罪名成立，違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(2)(a)條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

李健宏，60歲，澳聯空調設備有限公司(澳聯)前高級銷售經理，則判囚一年半。他早前承認上述兩項串謀向代理人提供利益罪名，以及另外三項向代理人提供利益罪名，違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(2)(a)條。

法官姚勳智判刑時指，向代理人提供利益是嚴重罪行，法庭不能容忍賄賂行為，加上案件涉及賄款逾100萬港元，犯案時間為期兩年半，判監無可避免。

案發時，澳聯及偉聯分別在澳門及香港成立。該兩間公司為客戶提供冷氣安裝和維修服務，由同一名東主營運。李健宏負責澳聯日常運作，包括向其他公司提交報價單以招攬生意。李健宏須向胡德海匯報有關澳聯的業務運作。

自2013年起，澳聯成為永利度假村(澳門)股份有限公司(永利)的認可供應商。永利在澳門經營酒店和賭場，該公司禁止員工在執行職務期間向承辦商索取或接受利益。

案情透露，李健宏2014年認識一名永利時任總監，對方向李健宏索賄，以確保澳聯有機會向永利提交冷氣工程維修服務報價單或投標書。為了替澳聯招攬更多生意，胡德海及李健宏均同意賄賂該總監。

2014年6月至2015年7月期間，李健宏在香港透過支票或銀行轉帳支付三筆賄款合共逾45萬港元予該總監。期間，澳聯與永利的生意額上升。

2016年11月至2017年1月期間，胡德海與李健宏串謀在香港向該總監支付兩筆賄款共56萬港元。

香港廉署調查顯示，永利於2014至2017年間將多份冷氣維修合約判授予澳聯，總金額約為3,400萬港元。

永利在案件調查期間提供全面協助，香港廉署亦感謝澳門廉政公署提供寶貴協助，包括安排香港廉署人員在澳門會見證人。

控方今日由署理高級檢控官劉德澤代表出庭，並由廉署人員梁保山協助。

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