



**Agency Against Corruption,
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**The Taiwan Miaoli District Court Has Found Councilor Li
○○ of Miaoli County Guilty of Corruption and Other
Charges as Investigated by the Agency Against Corruption,
Ministry of Justice**

Li ○○, as a member of the 16th, 17th and 18th Miaoli County Councils, may attend regular or provisional meetings held by the Miaoli County Council and, being a public official empowered with legal function and power serving an organization of a local autonomous body in accordance with the law, is to make a motion, to take part in a discussion, to participate in voting, to request a reconsideration, to listen to a report and to address interpellation during a meeting, as well as supervising the administrative measures of the Miaoli County Government. In order to obtain business profits from Yi Pin Xiang Tea House, Li colluded with a man surnamed Chen○○ with the intention of intimidation and extortion, contacting the owner of Yi Pin Xiang Tea House, surnamed Peng ○○, and making a threat to destroy his business if he didn't let Li become a shareholder. Peng fearfully agreed to a 25% stake for Li, enabling him to receive monthly bonuses from the tea house. In addition, Li asked a policeman surnamed Wang ○○ at the Tongsiao Police Precinct to provide a copy of the spot check

schedule every month to help the tea house avoid spot checks by the police. Moreover, according to the law, only attending council members may claim attendance, transportation and meal fees while the Miaoli County Council is in session. Knowing that a council member who fails to attend a meeting may not claim such fees, Li also attempted to reap illegal gains by signing his name on the attendance book for a meeting that he did not attend to fake his attendance, causing the responsible person for the Miaoli County Council to mistakenly appropriate the necessary fees for his attendance, allowing him to falsely claim NT\$3,675 in total.

Clear evidence was found in the investigation by the AAC and was transferred to the Miaoli District Prosecutors Office for investigation. The prosecutorial investigation had closed, and charges were pressed. Ultimately, the Taiwan Miaoli District Court found Li guilty of corruption and other charges and sentenced him to 7 years and 6 months imprisonment as well as 3 years deprivation of citizen's rights.