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Agency Against Corruption, Ministry of Justice carried out a jointly investigation with Taichung District Prosecutors Offices into employees of Taichung Reconnaissance Brigade who are suspected of swindling whistle-blower awards

The Agency Against Corruption and Taichung District Prosecutors Offices cooperated to investigate into two employees including Pu XX, a former Major and Reconnaissance Officer of Taichung Reconnaissance Brigade, Central Coastal Patrol Office, Coastal Patrol Directorate General (hereinafter refer to as the “Taichung Reconnaissance Brigade”), who is suspected of taking opportunities of seizing smuggled cigarettes to swindle whistle-blower awards. Zhan Chang-Hui, Resident Prosecutors of Ministry of Justice, directed 15 agents on October 28, 2013 to search 2 places of the two suspects, detain relevant evidence, and take back 4 suspects including Pu XX and relevant witnesses.

The Coastal Patrol Directorate General positively requested Department of Civil Service Ethics to disclose Majors Pu XX and Liu XX, the Reconnaissance

Officers of Taichung Reconnaissance Brigade, who are suspected of taking opportunities of implementing official duties to produce false whistle-blower statement with nominal accounts to report smuggled cigarettes, and swindling whistle-blower awards of over NT\$3.37 million from Taichung Reconnaissance Brigade during the period from 2010 to 2011; Pu XX and Liu XX are suspected of violating Anti-Corruption Act to fraudulently make others to deliver personal property under cover of legal authority, and were released on bails of NT\$200,000 and NT\$300,000 separately after a subsequent interrogation held by Prosecutors.

In addition to expanding investigations implemented by the Agency Against Corruption to check if there are any accomplices, the Department of Civil Service Ethics of Coastal Patrol Directorate General carried out comprehensive inspections of similar cases, and submitted methods of improvement and implemented integrity mechanisms of “Corruption prevention, investigation, and further prevention”.