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President Ma Attends the Joint Closing Ceremony for the 33rd AAC Anti-Corruption Personnel Training Class and 13th Associate 9th Grade Officials Training Class

President Ma attended today's joint closing ceremony for the 33rd AAC Anti-Corruption Personnel Training Class and 13th Associate 9th Grade Officials Training Program, presenting trainees with certificates of training completion and the top three graduates with certificates of merit. Besides recognizing the AAC's efforts over the past 3 years, President Ma also encouraged trainees to work as a team in their efforts against corruption.

In his address, President Ma indicated that it is our objective to push for a clean and competent government. The Agency Against Corruption, Ministry of Justice, established according to the UN Convention on July 20th, 2001, has demonstrated great success in combating many corruption scandals, including that of the River Management Office of the Water Resource Agency, the construction scandal of Wufeng Township, Hsinchu County, and bribery scandal of Taoyuan County. However, the government's integrity image is accumulated bit by bit. Therefore, aggressive actions should be taken – being able to prevent, to arrest and to convict – in facing corruption cases. President Ma also expressed his four expectations of the graduating trainees: exhibiting strict moral characters and conduct and emphasizing honor and responsibility; insistently carrying out administrative tasks in compliance with the law and having the courage to actively take on tasks; handling corruption cases in an active, forthright manner; paying attention to the spirit of teamwork. Lastly, President Ma pointed out the importance of corruption prevention, discovering corruption early and controlling signs of corruption, and reiterated principles of lowering corruption incidence and increasing the corruption conviction

rate in the work against corruption.

During the ceremony, President Ma personally presented certificates of training completion to the trainees and certificates of merit to the top three graduates. Recipients of certificates of merit were Yang Chiu-ling of the Maintenance Office, New Taipei City Government, Huang Yi-chieh of the Taoyuan County Police Bureau, and Hsieh Yi-hsuan of the Department of Economic Development, Taipei City Government for the 33rd AAC Anti-Corruption Personnel Training Class and Chi Chia-chen of the Agency Against Corruption, Ministry of Justice, Chen Hsiu-hui of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, and Hsu Ching-hsiu of the Ministry of National Defense for the 13th Associate 9th Grade Officials Training Program.

More than recognizing the efforts of graduating trainees, President Ma's high regard for anti-corruption work also boosted the morale of all anti-corruption personnel. Regarding potential corruption and malpractices, the Agency Against Corruption, Ministry of Justice will continue to carry out a risk management function, implementing a mechanism for further corruption prevention to fill loopholes and complementing it with strong corruption investigation actions, to achieve the goal of increasing national competitiveness so as to turn Taiwan into a nation of high integrity, becoming the new model for clean and competent government.