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In Step with the World, Taiwan Strives to Prevent and Fight Corruption Together With Other Countries! United Nations Convention Against Corruption First National Report International Review Meeting

The 2018 "Review Meeting of the ROC's Initial Report under the United Nations Convention against Corruption" will be held in the Convention Hall of the Howard Civil Service International House, Civil Service Development Institute, August 21-24. Five international anti-corruption experts, from Peru, Singapore, Australia, Ireland and South Korea, respectively, have been invited to serve as members of the review committee. During the Meeting, the first national report will be reviewed and, through discussion with representatives of government agencies and NGO representatives, the review committee will obtain an understanding of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) implementation situation in Taiwan, identify places where improvements can be made, and provide concrete suggestions.

The Agency Against Corruption (AAC) Ministry of Justice stated that the first national report will fully respond to the UNCAC's legal and systemic requirements and will provide implementation statistical data and major cases from the past five years to highlight Taiwan's strongpoints and deficiencies with respect to implementation of the UNCAC. Such a one-time review of all the clauses of the UNCAC and carrying out of an international review can be said to be unprecedented internationally and is illustrative of Taiwan's tireless efforts in the area of anti-corruption work. For this international review, an easy guide has been produced and has been placed on the AAC website; through easy-to-understand graphics and explanations, it will allow the public to understand the key review points and objectives of the "Review Meeting of the ROC's Initial Report under the United Nations Convention against Corruption"

President Tsai Ing-wen stated that, although Taiwan isn't an official member of the United Nations, its determination to implement clean government is as strong as any country and Taiwan is keen to show the word its clean government execution ability. The members of the international review committee invited for the Meeting are all important figures in the international anti-corruption field; former chairman of Transparency International José Ugaz has been appointed Special Prosecutor on five occasions in Peru. He prosecuted former President Fujimori for corruption and has substantial international influence; his participation in this review meeting is highly significant. The other four committee members are Inspector General of South Korea Gyeonggido Office of Education Geo-Sung KIM, former Executive Secretary of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Rick McDonell, famous East Asian anti-corruption scholar Jon S.T. Quah, and Integrity and Anti-Corruption Adviser, Consultant Adviser for Governments and Civil Society Organizations Peter Ritchie. In addition, we also invite Mr. Wong Wei Kuen, Trade representative of the Singapore Trade Office in Taipei, to witness the important milestone of Taiwan's promotion of anti-corruption.

In this meeting, we combine more than 30 government organizations, including Executive Yuan, Judicial Yuan, Examination Yuan, Control Yuan, Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Foreign Affairs to work together to demonstrate Taiwan's effort to implement anti-corruption work. The Meeting will be held for four days (August 21-24); on Day 1, the members of the international review committee will engage in dialogue with legislators and NGO representatives; on the afternoon of Day 1 and Day 2, the review meeting will take place and will cover corruption prevention measures, conviction and law enforcement, international cooperation, recovery of illegal assets etc; on Day 3, the review committee's conclusive observations meeting will be held; at 10am on the last day, (August 24) the conclusive observations will be announced at a press conference in the assembly hall on the 5th floor of the Ministry of Justice.