Brief Explanation On The Investigation Of The Election-Eve Shooting Incident

Sean Lien, the son of KMT Honorary Chairman Lien Chan, was shot right in the face while campaigning for a KMT New Taipei City councilor candidate at Yonghe Elementary School, Taipei County in the evening of Nov 26th. He survived the incident after being rushed to the hospital and having a surgery performed. Unfortunately, Huang Yun-Sheng, an innocent bystander, sustained a fatal injury in the head and passed away soon after the incident.

After Banciao District Prosecutors Office (BDPO) received the information regarding the shooting incident around 8:40 pm the same evening, Head Prosecutor Sun Chih-Yuan and Prosecutor Chin Kai-Sheng immediately rushed to Yonghe Police Precinct, Police Bureau, Taipei County and directed the following investigation, including reviewing crime scene videos and securing evidence.

The gunman Lin Cheng-Wei, was arrested right on the spot. His firearm, a 9 mm pistol and 48 bullets, were also seized by the police.

Head Prosecutor Wang Nan- Jiun and Prosecutor Tseng Yang-Ling were also assigned by BDPO to perform forensic autopsy on the body of the deceased. The bullet, found in Mr. Hung's head, was sent to forensic ballistics lab for further analysis.

In the morning of Nov 27th, the police confirmed that the bullet found in Mr. Hung's head, and two bullet shells found respectively on the scene and in the jacket worn by the suspect Lin Cheng-Wei, were all shot from the same pistol.

In the afternoon of Nov 28th, Prosecutor Chin summoned Sean's assistant surnamed Hsiu, New Taipei City Council-elect Chen Hung-Yuan's friend surnamed Liu, three policemen and other witnesses for further interrogation.

Chief Prosecutor Tsai Bi-Yu met with the family of the deceased on Nov 26th to express her deep condolence. She also instructed the Association for Victims Support, Banciao Branch, to consider the caring and maintenance of the bereaved family as the first priority. Based upon her instruction, the association visited Huang's family to provide free legal assistance with criminal injuries compensation claims and other useful information.

In an effort to reveal the truth and make certain whether there is a mastermind behind the incident, BDPO will work tirelessly so that the suspect or suspects can be indicted and the family of the deceased can return to their normal life.