

Unveiling Ceremony Held on January 1st, 2013 for the Rename of New Taipei City District Prosecutors Office

In response to New Taipei City's upgrade in 2010 and according to the Court Organization Act, Banciao District Prosecutors Office is officially renamed as "New Taipei City District Prosecutors Office" with effect from January 1st, 2013. Meanwhile, the Office's address is concurrently revised as "No. 249, Sec. 2, Jincheng Rd., Tucheng Dist., New Taipei City." For public disclosure of the above-mentioned, the Office and New Taipei City District Court jointly hosted the rename ceremony on January 1st, 2013 in the auditorium as well as in front of the Administrative Building. Many of the authorities concerned, including President Lai and Secretary-General Lin of Judicial Yuan, President Chen of Taiwan High Court, Minister Tseng of Ministry of Justice, Chief Officer Yen of Taiwan High Court Prosecutors Office, New Taipei City mayor Chu Li-Luan, Deputy mayor Hou Yu-ih, Speaker Chen of the New Taipei City Council, Chief Prosecutor Yang of Taipei District Prosecutors Office, Chief Prosecutor Lin of Shi-Lin District Prosecutors Office, Director-General Chou of the Agency Against Corruption, Director Chen of Administrative Enforcement Agency's New Taipei Branch, as well as officers of the detention center, police and investigation agency, jointly participated in the ceremony.

The Office, established on February 16th, 1981, was initially named as "Banciao Branch of Taiwan Taipei District Prosecutors Office," and was later approved of further renaming as "Taiwan Banciao District Prosecutors Office" on April 2nd, 1990. Currently, the Office's scope of jurisdiction covers over 3 million population. According to the statistics, there was a total amount of 270 thousand cases throughout the year 2011, and there were 250 thousand cases more until November 2012, which was 13.5 times larger if compared with the amount when the Office was initially established. In response to the rapidly growing population as well as the prosperous industrial development, the Office's personnel number has significantly increased from 85 to a total of 498 since initial inauguration, and the total number of prosecutors has subsequently grown from 9 to 144, including the chief prosecutor and the head prosecutors. As a matter of fact, the Office currently covers nationwide the highest population in the jurisdiction scope and proceeds the largest total number

of criminal cases. Meanwhile, the complexity and influence of each criminal case are soaring high. Accordingly, the rename fits perfectly well to manifest the upgrade of New Taipei City as well as the tremendously increasing workload of the Office.

Compared with other district Prosecutors Offices, the Office has relatively less personnel and older facilities, but yet our Office still aims to maximize the prosecutorial functions, pursue crime to the finish, and maintain law and order. The Office, fully aware of its mission to offer warm and friendly judicial environment, commits to giving New Taipei City citizens a whole new experience of the upgrade of the judicial system.