

Investigation On MRT Circular Line In Violation Of Waste Disposal Act

On January 23, 2017, the prosecutors from the anti-corruption division of Taiwan New Taipei District Office, Liu, Wen-Han(劉文翰) and Lin, Jian-Liang(林建良), together with the assistance from the investigators of New Taipei District Division of Investigation Bureau of Ministry of Justice (hereafter as NTIB) and the personnel of Northern Branch of Bureau of Environmental Inspection of Environmental Protection Administration, had commanded an investigation against an alleged breach of the Waste Disposal Act relating to the construction of the Mass Transit Railway (MRT) Circular Line. Today (January 29), they led the investigators of NTIB to perform a search with warrants at the 13 places which include the residence and workplace of the involved persons. Those 8 suspects, including Mr. Lu(呂○穎), were later summoned to court to explain the matter.

Previously, this Office received a tip-off indicating the suspected violations of the Criminal Act and the Waste Disposal Act during the time when the East District Project Office of Rapid Transit System of Taipei City Government handled the procurement project of "Section CF640 of the MRT Circular Line" in October 2011. The Huang-* Corporation(皇○公司) was the main contractor of the above construction project. For the same project, the disposal of dumped soil was tasked with a sub-contractor, the Wan-* Corporation(萬○公司). However, aiming to reducing the disposal costs and seeking the interests of the project, Lin, *-Chuang(林○創) and other suspects processed the backfill at the site of the MRT Circular Line with general business waste (i.e. bricks, steel bars, plastic pipes, woods and other mixtures resulting from building constructions), instead of cubic meter of earth and stone. Such behaviors were suspect of being involved with the forgery offense of the Criminal Act and other offenses of the Waste Disposal Act. Therefore, today (January 29) the prosecutors of this Office led the investigators of NTIB to perform the above-mentioned search, and summoned those suspects under suspicion of illegal backfill to court to explain the matter.