LegCo Panel on Security Meeting on 4 December 2003

Follow-up on the Case of Su Zhi-yi and the Case of Chan Tsz-chueng

This paper provides information in response to the questions raised by the Hon James To on the police follow-up on the case of Su Zhi-yi and the case of Chan Tsz-cheung. In both cases, allegations were made that Mainland public security officers had exercised jurisdiction in Hong Kong.

The Case of Su Zhi-yi

2. The case of Su Zhi-yi was discussed by the LegCo Panel on Security at its meetings held on 30 June 2000, 16 January 2001 and 15 April 2002. At the special Panel meeting held on 15 April 2002, Members asked that clarification from the Mainland authorities be sought on whether Mainland public security officers had searched the residence of Su Zhi-yi on 28 October 1995 and whether the Mainland public security officers concerned had videotaped the said search. The Police subsequently contacted the Guangdong Provincial Public Security Bureau which confirmed that no Mainland public security officers had visited Su's residence and no videotape records had ever been made by the Mainland public security authorities in connection with Su Zhi-yi's case. We have related the Mainland authorities' reply to Members of the Panel on 2 December 2002. In their enquiry with the Guangdong Provincial Public Security Bureau, the Police did specifically ask whether the two Zhaoqing City Government officials who had accompanied Su Suet, daughter of Su Zhi-yi, to return to Su's residence to retrieve some documents, had carried out videotaping during their visit to Su's residence. The Guangdong Provincial Public Security Bureau replied that the two civilian officials had not carried out videotaping during their visit to Su's residence.

The Case of Chan Tsz-cheung

3. The case of Chan Tsz-cheung is one of the cases being followed up by the LegCo Complaints Division. A number of case conferences have been held.

4. Mr. Chan Tsz-cheung, a Hong Kong businessman, was arrested on the Mainland in October 2001 for a suspected fraud case. In early November 2001, Mr. Chan's daughter approached the Immigration Department for assistance because she had lost contact with her father on the Mainland. The Immigration Department has since maintained close liaison with Chan's family to follow up the request for assistance. In March 2003, Ms. Chan disclosed that in early November 2001, she had met with a Mainlander in Hong Kong who handed to her some letters from her father. She had also passed to the Mainlander some items requested by She also alleged that the person she met was a Mainland public her father. security officer. Following Ms. Chan's allegation, the Police have written to the Mainland public security authorities to ascertain the identity of the person who met with Ms. Chan. Despite reminders being issued, the reply from the Mainland authorities is pending.

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