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### ICAC arrests 72 for alleged corrupt conduct at 2016 LegCo Election

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The ICAC has arrested 72 persons for allegedly engaging in corrupt conduct of vote-rigging in the Information Technology Functional Constituency (ITFC) of the 2016 Legislative Council (LegCo) Election.

Arrested in the operation codenamed “Snow Leopard”, which lasted from Tuesday (March 28) to Thursday (March 30), were 68 newly registered electors of the ITFC, and four middlemen, three of whom were also registered electors of the ITFC.

The investigation arose from complaints alleging corrupt conduct in breach of the Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Conduct) Ordinance at the ITFC of the 2016 LegCo Election held on September 4, 2016.

ICAC enquiries revealed that most of the arrestees had newly registered as electors of the ITFC through their membership with two professional organisations in the information technology (IT) field.

The arrested middlemen might have collected personal data of other arrestees through relatives, friends and other associates for registration as members of either one of the two IT professional organisations and onward registration as electors of the ITFC.

Enquiries revealed that the newly registered electors, with background ranging from students, clerks, drivers to housewives, might not possess the requisite academic qualifications and/or working experience in the IT field to qualify them for membership of the IT professional organisations.

Enquiries also revealed that some of the electors had allegedly accepted monetary rewards in the process.

Records from the Registration and Electoral Office revealed that most of the newly registered electors had allegedly voted in the ITFC of the LegCo Election.

All the arrestees have been released on ICAC bail. Enquiries are continuing.

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## 新聞公佈

### 廉署拘七十二人疑涉二○一六年立法會選舉舞弊

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廉政公署拘捕七十二名人士，懷疑他們在二○一六年立法會選舉資訊科技功能界別選舉中涉嫌作出「種票」舞弊行為。

廉署上星期二(三月二十八日)至星期四(三月三十日)展開代號「雪豹」行動，拘捕六十八名資訊科技功能界別新登記的選民，以及四名中間人，而其中三名中間人亦為該界別登記選民。

廉署早前接獲投訴，指稱有人在二○一六年九月四日舉行的立法會選舉資訊科技功能界別選舉中涉嫌作出違反《選舉(舞弊及非法行為)條例》的舞弊行為，遂展開調查。

調查發現，大部份被捕人士以兩個資訊科技界專業團體的會員身分，新登記為資訊科技界功能界別的選民。

被捕的中間人涉嫌透過親戚、朋友及其他相關人士收集其他被捕人士的個人資料，使他們登記為該兩個資訊科技界專業團體其中一個團體的會員，並其後登記為資訊科技功能界別的選民。

調查發現，涉案的新登記選民的背景包括學生、文員、司機及家庭主婦，他們未必具備所需學歷及/或資訊科技界的工作經驗，以符合資格登記為有關資訊科技界專業團體的會員。

調查亦發現，部份選民涉嫌在過程中收受金錢報酬。

選舉事務處紀錄顯示，大部分新登記的選民涉嫌在有關立法會選舉資訊科技功能界別選舉中投票。

所有被捕人士已獲廉署准予保釋。調查繼續進行。

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