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Dummy insurance agent admits money laundering for handling \$270,000 commissions revealed in ICAC graft probe

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In the course of a corruption investigation, the ICAC had earlier revealed that a dummy insurance agent had conspired with others to make false representations that an insurance policy was handled by him and had returned most of the commissions and bonuses, totalling over \$270,000, to those who recruited him to take part in the scam. The defendant admitted laundering crime proceeds at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts today (December 7).

Cheng Tsz-sing, 28, former insurance agent of Chubb Life Insurance Company Limited (Chubb), pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to deal with property known or believed to represent proceeds of an indictable offence, contrary to Section 25(1) of the Organized and Serious Crimes Ordinance and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

Principal Magistrate Ms Ada Yim Shun-yee adjourned the case to April 11 next year for mention and granted bail to the defendant.

The court heard that the defendant joined Chubb as insurance agent in late June 2019. Between August 2019 and May 2020, he was named as the handling agent of an insurance policy, and received commissions and bonuses totalling over \$270,000. He had only retained over \$27,000 and transferred over \$240,000 to four others.

The ICAC investigation arose from a corruption complaint. Enquiries revealed that the defendant was actually not the handling agent of the insurance policy. Two insurance agents of Chubb, including a cousin of his, had recruited him to take part in the scam. The defendant was told that he would earn \$7,500 per month but he was not required to do anything as others would secure insurance policies for him.

Upon legal advice sought from the Department of Justice, the defendant was charged with one count of conspiracy to deal with property known or believed to represent proceeds of an indictable offence. As the relevant corruption investigation is continuing, the ICAC does not rule out further law enforcement actions.

Chubb had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Teresa Cheung.

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新聞公佈

廉署調查貪污揭「洗黑錢」處理佣金27萬元 「傀儡保險代理」今 認罪

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廉政公署早前調查貪污時‧揭發一名「傀儡保險代理」串謀他人向保險公司訛稱經手處理一張保單而獲發放佣金及獎金共逾27萬元‧並將大部份款項轉帳予招攬他參與勾當的人士。被告今日(12月7日)在東區裁判法院承認「洗黑錢」。

鄭梓昇·28歲·安達人壽保險有限公司(安達)前保險代理·承認一項串謀處理已知道或相信為代表從可公訴罪行的得益的財產罪名·違反《有組織及嚴重罪行條例》第25(1)條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

任裁判官嚴舜儀將案件押後至明年4月11日再提訴。被告獲准以現金保釋。

案情透露,被告於2019年6月底加入安達成為保險代理。他於2019年8月至2020年5月期間被列為一份保單的經手代理人,因而獲安達發放佣金及獎金共逾27萬元。他只保留了逾2.7萬元,並將逾24萬元轉帳予四名人士。

廉署早前接獲貪污投訴遂展開調查,發現被告其實並非該份保單的經手代理人。包括被告堂兄在內的兩名安達保險代理招攬他參與勾當,他獲告知有人會為他售出保單,他可不勞而獲每月賺取7,500元。

廉署向律政司徵詢法律意見後,落案起訴被告一項串謀處理已知道或相信為代表從可公訴罪行的得益的財產罪名。相關貪污調查仍在進行,廉署不排除再有進一步執法行動。

安達在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由廉署人員張春桃代表出庭。 <u>返回目錄</u>