

Police Sergeant and two others in court for alleged bribery and operating gambling den

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A Police Sergeant and two other persons appeared in the Tsuen Wan Magistracy today (Friday) after being charged by the ICAC with accepting and offering advantages and operating an illegal gambling den respectively.

Lai Wing-kit, 46, Police Sergeant, who was charged on Wednesday (November 26), faced two counts of prescribed officer accepting an advantage, contrary to Section 3 of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (POBO).

Also charged on Wednesday was Au Pui-lan, 46, unemployed, who faced two counts of offering an advantage to a prescribed officer, contrary to Section 8(1) of the POBO.

Au and Lam Yiu-ming, 53, construction worker, were also charged with one count of conspiracy to operate a gambling establishment, contrary to Section 5 of the Gambling Ordinance and Section 159A of the Crimes Ordinance.

Lai and Au denied their respective charges. Acting Principal Magistrate Joseph To Ho-shing adjourned their case to January 23 next year for a pre-trial review.

Lam pleaded guilty to his charge. The magistrate remanded him in custody of the Correctional Services Department (CSD) until December 12 this year for mitigation and sentence, pending a community service order report.

Two of the charges alleged that Lai accepted from Au a bunch of banknotes on July 25, 2013 and two cake coupons and a bag of American ginseng on September 18, 2013, without the general or special permission of the Chief Executive.

Two other charges alleged that Au, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, offered to Lai \$1,000 on July 25, 2013, and two cake coupons and a bag of American ginseng on September 18, 2013, whilst having dealings with the Hong Kong Government through the Police.

The remaining charge alleged Au and Lam of having conspired together to operate a gambling den inside a building in Wo Yi Hop Road, Kwai Chung between February 1 and September 18, 2013.

Lai was granted cash bail of \$10,000, while Au was remanded in custody of the CSD, pending her to surrender her travel documents and pay her cash bail of \$2,000.

The Police had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by Public Prosecutor Rane Khubchandani, assisted by ICAC officer Kenny Wong.

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廉署起訴警長及另外兩人涉嫌貪污 及經營賭檔

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廉政公署落案起訴一名警長及另外兩名人士，控告他們涉嫌分別收授利益，以及經營一個非法賭檔。三名被告今日(星期五)在荃灣裁判法院應訊。

賴永傑，四十六歲，警長，於星期三(十一月二十六日)被控兩項訂明人員接受利益罪名，涉嫌違反《防止賄賂條例》第3條。

歐培蘭，四十六歲，無業，同於星期三被控兩項向訂明人員提供利益罪名，涉嫌違反《防止賄賂條例》第8(1)條。

歐及林耀明，五十三歲，建築工人，另同被控一項串謀營辦賭場罪名，涉嫌違反《賭博條例》第5條及《刑事罪行條例》第159A條。

賴及歐今日否認控罪。署理主任裁判官杜浩成將案件押後至明年一月二十三日進行預審。

林則承認控罪，裁判官將案件押後至本年十二月十二日聽取被告求情及判刑，以待被告的社會服務令報告。被告暫時還押懲教署看管。

其中兩項控罪指賴涉嫌未得行政長官一般或特別許可，於二〇一三年七月二十五日從歐接受一疊銀紙，並於同年九月十八日接受歐提供的兩張餅券及一袋花旗參。

另外兩項控罪指歐涉嫌經警方與香港政府進行事務往來時，無合法權限或合理辯解，於二〇一三年七月二十五日向賴提供一千元，並於同年九月十八日向賴提供兩張餅券及一袋花旗參。

餘下控罪指歐及林涉嫌於二〇一三年二月一日至九月十八日期間，一起串謀在葵涌和宜合道一幢大廈內營辦一個賭檔。

賴獲准以現金一萬元保釋。歐則暫時還押懲教署看管，以待她交出旅遊證件及二千元保釋金。

警方在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由檢控官谷敏兒代表出庭，並由廉署人員黃學芹協助。

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