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Ex-counter officer of travel agency in court over soliciting illegal rebate

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A former counter officer of a travel agency appeared in the Eastern Magistracy today (March 22) after being charged by the ICAC with soliciting an illegal rebate of \$5,100 from his subordinate in relation to referral of bookings of travel products and services.

Chan Yin-kit, 34, former counter officer of Travel Expert Limited (TEL), who was charged on Monday (March 20), faced one count of agent soliciting an advantage, contrary to Section (9)(1)(a) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance.

No plea was taken. Principal Magistrate Ms Bina Chainrai adjourned the case to April 19 this year for plea.

At the material time, the defendant was employed by TEL as a counter officer to oversee the operation of its branch office in Causeway Bay. Among his subordinates was a senior travel consultant.

The charge alleged that between March 31 and May 6, 2016, the defendant, without lawful authority or reasonable excuse, solicited a rebate of \$5,100 from the senior travel consultant as a reward for referring bookings of travel products and services to the consultant.

The defendant was granted cash bail of \$5,000. He was also ordered to reside at his reported address, inform the ICAC 24 hours prior to any change of address, and not to interfere with prosecution witnesses.

TEL had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation.

The prosecution was today represented by ICAC officer Jenny Chan.

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新聞公佈

廉署起訴旅行社前櫃枱主任涉嫌索取非法回佣今提堂

2017年3月22日

廉政公署落案起訴一名旅行社前櫃枱主任，控告他涉嫌向下屬索取五千一百元非法回佣，以轉介旅遊產品及服務訂單。被告今日(三月二十二日)在東區裁判法院提堂。

陳賢傑，三十四歲，專業旅運有限公司(專業旅運)前櫃枱主任，於星期一(三月二十日)被控一項代理人索取利益罪名，違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(1)(a)條。

被告今日無需答辯。主任裁判官錢禮將案件押後至今年四月十九日答辯。

被告於案發時獲專業旅運聘任為櫃枱主任，負責監督銅鑼灣分行的營運，他的下屬包括一名高級旅遊顧問。

控罪指被告涉嫌於二〇一六年三月三十一日至五月六日期間，在無合法權限或合理辯解下，向該名高級旅遊顧問索取五千一百元回佣，作為轉介旅遊產品及服務訂單給有關顧問的報酬。

被告獲准以現金五千元保釋。他亦受命須在報住的地址居住、如更改地址須於二十四小時前通知廉署，以及不得騷擾控方證人。

專業旅運在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由廉署人員陳淑珍代表出庭。

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