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Great Improvement and Evolution of Administrative Enforcement Using Technological Approach

The Administrative Enforcement Agency (AEA) of the Ministry of Justice held a small-scale tea party with the journalists of justice affairs today (June 7) in the afternoon, where Mr. Huang, Yu-Yuan the newly inaugurated AEA Director general emphasized that he would uphold the enforcement philosophy of "scientific and technological innovation, openness and convenience for the general public and efficiency of law enforcement" and utilize innovative ideas to give full play to maximize the enforcement efficiency, enhance the positive image of AEA, implement the technological policy of the Ministry of Justice, deepen the service for the public and implement the core value of "justice and care."

A while ago, the U.S. News media CNN commented that Taiwan's traffic is so dangerous that it's like a "pedestrian hell," which triggered wide public awareness domestically. Prime Minister Chen of the Executive Yuan had reviewed the report of the "Pedestrian Priority Traffic Safety Action Plan" at the meeting in May and announced that "traffic safety" is of great importance to the "travel" safety of every citizen. Following the instructions of Minister Tsai, AEA made deployment in advance and quickly formulated the project for "Enhancing the Enforcement of Punishment for Vehicles not Yielding to Pedestrians" and cooperated with the Directorate General of Highways, MOTC to establish a horizontal contact mechanism to promptly transfer cases of overdue fines for "not yielding to pedestrians" to each branch office for priority enforcement. Each branch office will also issue the press release in a timely manner on cases enforced and fully implement the traffic safety policy of pedestrian priority to protect the right of way of pedestrians, strive for

humanity-oriented traffic and remove this stigma.

In addition, AEA also actively cooperates with the government's major policies and has always attached great importance to the enforcement of traffic rules violations, driving under the influence and drug-impaired driving, epidemic prevention rules violations and punishments for violations of ASF prevention to respond to citizens' expectation of strict and active enforcement. In addition to formulating enforcement projects, AEA also adopts measurements such as seizure of property, restrictions on immigration and traveling, arresting and confiscation to leave no window for evading the enforcement and demonstrate the determination in law enforcement that reaches significant achievements recognized among the general public.

To implement the policy of "Technological MOJ," each branch adopts the latest technology to assist in the promotion of enforcement works, and fully implements the "Remote Foreclosure" to allow a technology-based remote viewing of the status of uninhabited real property, in which people can click on the "Panorama View" on the official auction site for real-time viewing as if they are visiting the site in person. In addition, the innovative application of "aerial photography using remote control drones" and "VR (virtual reality) equipment" can overcome the geographical restrictions, allowing the general public to view in the most simple and convenient manner, and clearly grasp the appearance and surrounding environment of foreclosure objects online. Furthermore, the Hualien Branch has teamed up with the traffic squad of the police to use the license plate recognition system in The Suhua Highway Improvement Tunnel Sections to successfully intercept and seize vehicles on the spot and recover significant arrears of fines. Moreover, to create an open and transparent auction environment, the 13 branch offices across Taiwan simultaneously livestream the auctions of joint auction held on the "first" "Tuesday" of every month, starting at "3" p.m. on Facebook. By adopting "on-site bidding" or "online bidding," visitors can directly watch the auction at home, which is expected to increase the public's willingness to bid and purchase and greatly improve the efficiency of auctions and the quality of convenient services.

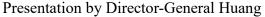
Recently, scam syndicates have become more and more rampant, and their methods are constantly being innovated, which has become the public enemy among Taiwan. On May 4, 2023, the Executive Yuan passed the "Next-Generation Scam Fighting Strategy Action Plan 1.5" to improve "recognizing, blocking, preventing and punishing" the scam and formed the cross-ministerial cooperation to jointly combat scam crimes. In order to strengthen the combat capacity against scam crimes, Minister Tsai has instructed AEA to expand and promote the handling of seized items entrusted by prosecutors to auction illegal proceeds to completely deprive the defendant of illegal proceeds, implement the new system of confiscation and give full play to the two major aspects of administrative enforcement and prosecution to reach the optimum cooperation results. AEA and all the branches actively cooperate with the policies of the Ministry of Justice. In view of the professionalism and high efficiency of the administrative enforcement agency in the conversion of property rights, from September 1, 2021, the AEA has been entrusted by the prosecutor agency to expand the handling of conversion, distribution and payment of confiscated items during the investigation and upon the conclusion of judgments, including the enforcement of other property rights other than properties and real properties, such as the auction of vehicles, vessels and the virtual currency USDT.

In terms of future policy planning, Director-General Huang mentioned that he will promote works in an all-round and diversified way. To display the implementation results of each branch and the highlights of the AEA in a timely manner, the Pingtung Branch launches the "Pingtung Radio" program where Podcasts are adopted to share the details of works and AEA in an easy and leisurely way. AEA will also publish the originally quarterly-issued newsletter on a monthly basis on the 10th of each month in both hardcopy and electronic format (scan the QR Code for review) from this month (June) on. AEA is also the first government agency in Taiwan to edit and publish the story picture book titled "The Adventure" which combines the concept of compliance with administrative enforcement and integrity to allow elementary school students to, under the guidance of the protagonist, develop the good character of being law-abiding and having integrity from an early age and

have the spirit of "legal compliance" take root among the campuses. In addition, in order to establish a good quality of real estate appraisal, AEA also plans to hold a "National Real Estate Appraiser Symposium" in July by using the administrative enforcement unit as a platform to facilitate exchanges among prosecutor agencies, integrity agencies and real estate appraisal practitioners to enhance the mutual understanding and trust and create the opportunity for both public and private sectors to reach a result of win-win.

Last but not least, in the face of the rapidly changing social environment and the advancement of technology, technological innovation has gradually replaced the conventionally model. Challenges and difficulties in our implementation are emerging. The staff at AEA will continue to uphold the core value of "justice and care" and implement "scientific and technological innovation, openness and convenience for the general public and efficiency of law enforcement" to strive to improve new technology and innovative ideas and work together with each other to achieve the tasks and missions entrusted by the state to administrative government agencies.







Speech and Encouragement by Minister Tsai