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## **The Administrative Enforcement Agency (AEA) Holds Training on the New Public Interest Whistleblower Protection Act Enhancing Institutional Implementation and Practical Response**

In response to the upcoming implementation of the Public Interest Whistleblower Protection Act on July 22, 2025, the Administrative Enforcement Agency (AEA), Ministry of Justice, held a special lecture titled “Interpretation of the New Public Interest Whistleblower Protection Act” on the afternoon of July 14, 2025. Supervisors and staff from the AEA and its branches were invited to attend the training to deepen their understanding of the key provisions and practical application principles of the new Act, thereby enhancing institutional comprehension and response capabilities. The course was also offered via online video conferencing to encourage participation from branch personnel unable to attend in person, demonstrating the Agency’s strong commitment to the promotion of the new Act.

The course invited Chih-hung Chiu, Director of the Anti-Corruption Division of the Agency Against Corruption (AAC), Ministry of Justice, as the keynote speaker. He provided a detailed analysis of the Act's three core mechanisms: identity confidentiality, employment protection, and personal safety, along with corresponding practical measures. The training aimed to assist the administrative enforcement system in accurately distinguishing between whistleblowing, appeals, petitions, and reports when handling matters raised by the public, thereby ensuring the correct application of laws, proper case handling, and the implementation of procedural justice.

During his remarks at the course, Director-General Chuo-ran Miao of the AEA stated that the Public Interest Whistleblower Protection Act represents a significant advancement in Taiwan's whistleblower protection system and serves as a key step toward aligning with the United Nations Convention Against Corruption. When administrative enforcement authorities encounter whistleblowing-related matters in the future, how to accurately determine the nature of the case at the earliest possible moment and establish a prompt and appropriate response mechanism to safeguard the rights and interests of whistleblowers will be a crucial task that the AEA and its branches must not overlook.

Encouraged by Director-General Chuo-ran Miao, participants actively raised potential issues and challenges that may arise in practice. Through exchanges and discussions during the course, attendees gained a deeper understanding of the overall system and enhanced the ability of the administrative enforcement system to respond effectively. It is hoped that, following the implementation of the new Act, the AEA and its branches will be better equipped to

respond with confidence and jointly build a safe and trustworthy environment for whistleblowing.



The AEA will continue to provide practical training on relevant laws and regulations and will conduct ongoing reviews of supporting measures. It will also assist its branches in establishing standardized handling procedures, strengthening awareness of whistleblower protection, and enhancing the capacity to apply the law. Together, these efforts aim to build a cleaner and more transparent administrative enforcement environment.





