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Listed company trio charged as ICAC probe reveals \$820,000 payment fraud

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Three former employees of a listed company were charged by the ICAC yesterday (December 13) with conspiracy to defraud after a corruption investigation revealed that the trio had allegedly induced the listed company to pay licence and service fees totalling about \$820,000 to two companies by making false representations.

The defendants were Anthony Cheng Hiu-tung, 46; former chief financial officer of Janco Holdings Limited (JHL); David Leung Tze-hang, 67, former group senior advisor of JHL; and Cheung Pik-ha, 57, former stakeholder relations manager of JHL.

The trio jointly face two counts of conspiracy to defraud, contrary to Common Law. They were released on ICAC bail, pending their appearance at the Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (December 15) for mention.

JHL is listed on the Growth Enterprise Market of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong. Janco HealthCare Limited (JHC) and Janco Express Limited (JEL) are subsidiaries of JHL respectively focusing on business of healthcare products and logistics services.

It is alleged that between June 2021 and April 2022, the trio conspired together to defraud JHL by falsely representing that JHC and JEL were due to pay a licence fee of a health product and a service fee for securing a loan from a lender totalling about \$820,000, and with intent to defraud, induced JHL to make the payments to two companies.

The ICAC investigation arose from a corruption complaint. Enquiries revealed that the two companies had never made any licence agreement with JHL and had nothing to do with JHL's loan agreement. It was also revealed that Cheng allegedly caused JHL to settle the payments in question with the two companies even though he was aware of the circumstances. Leung and Cheung were in control of the two companies and the proceeds generated from the scam.

JHL and its subsidiaries have rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The ICAC reminds senior executives of listed companies to adhere to the legal and ethical obligations so as to safeguard the interest of different stakeholders. The ICAC continues to assist listed companies to enhance their corruption prevention capabilities and corporate governance. For details, please visit the webpage of the "Ethics Promotion Programme for Listed Companies"

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新聞公佈

廉署貪污調查揭上市公司三名僱員詐騙82萬元服務費

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廉政公署調查貪污時，揭發三名上市公司前僱員涉嫌以虛假陳述誘使該上市公司向兩間公司支付授權費及服務費共約82萬元。廉署昨日(12月13日)落案起訴三人串謀詐騙。

被告為鄭曉東，46歲，駿高控股有限公司(駿高控股)前首席財務官；梁子亨，67歲，駿高控股集團前高級顧問；及張碧霞，57歲，駿高控股前持份者關係經理。

三人同被控兩項串謀詐騙罪名，違反普通法。他們已獲廉署准予保釋至明日(12月15日)在觀塘裁判法院應訊。

駿高控股在香港聯合交易所創業板上市。駿高健康有限公司(駿高健康)及駿高速運有限公司(駿高速運)為駿高控股的子公司，分別主理健康護理用品及物流服務業務。

三人涉嫌於2021年6月至2022年4月期間一同串謀詐騙駿高控股，偽稱駿高健康及駿高速運須向兩間公司支付一款健康產品的授權費，及協助獲取一筆貸款的服務費共約82萬元，意圖詐騙而誘使駿高控股向兩間公司支付款項。

廉署早前接獲貪污投訴遂展開調查，發現上述兩間公司從未與駿高控股達成授權協議，亦與駿高控股的貸款毫無關係。調查亦顯示鄭曉東涉嫌知悉有關情況仍促使駿高控股向該兩間公司支付有問題的款項，而梁子亨及張碧霞實際上操控該兩間公司及有關詐騙勾當的犯罪得益。

駿高控股及其子公司在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

廉署提醒上市公司高級管理人員，必須遵守法規並恪守商業道德，以維護不同持份者的利益。廉署會繼續協助上市公司提升防貪及企業管治水平，詳情可瀏覽「上市公司商業道德推廣計劃」網頁。
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