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Joint Enforcement by Taichung Branch and Taichung District Prosecutors Office Protects Citizens; Auction of Illicit Proceeds Exceeds NT\$11 Million, Demonstrating Strong Anti-Fraud Execution

Taichung Branch Takes Action Against Fraud, Safeguarding Citizens' Assets

The Taichung Branch of the Administrative Enforcement Agency, Ministry of Justice (hereinafter referred to as the "Taichung Branch"), held a property disposal auction at 10:00 AM today, entrusted by the Taiwan Taichung District Prosecutors Office (hereinafter referred to as the "Taichung District Prosecutors Office"). This initiative aimed to strengthen the crackdown on fraudulent crimes and actively accelerate the disposal and monetization of assets seized during ongoing prosecutorial investigations, thereby stripping fraud syndicates of their illicit gains. The auction featured vehicles, luxury watches,

computer towers, and monitors, fetching a grand total of NT\$11,238,900.

The auction was co-opened by Wu Tso-yen, Director of the Taichung Branch, and Hung Chia-yuan, Chief Prosecutor of the Taichung District Prosecutors Office. In his opening remarks, Director Wu noted the brilliant sunshine and expressed his hope that the bidding would match the heat of the weather, ensuring a smooth auction of the illicit proceeds to safeguard the rights and interests of the public. Furthermore, Wu emphasized that enforcing penalties for drunk driving and traffic violations remains a key priority for the Administrative Enforcement Agency this year, aiming to better ensure public safety on the roads.

Chief Prosecutor Hung Chia-yuan stressed that the District Prosecutors Office will spare no effort in investigating crimes and seizing illicit assets, which are then handed over to the professional Taichung Branch for auction. He expressed hope that this robust cooperation would effectively uphold public authority.

The event drew an enthusiastic response from the public, with bids echoing throughout the venue. The highlight of the auction was the grand finale: a highly sought-after white LEXUS LM SUV. Manufactured in June 2024, the vehicle is less than two years old with an odometer reading of just over 10,844 kilometers—essentially brand new. As white is the most

requested color in the used car market, it ultimately fetched a staggering NT\$3.86 million.

Other notable items included:

A blue-black BMW heavy motorcycle sold for NT\$1.19 million.

Three Mercedes-Benz (BENZ) sedans sold for a combined NT\$5.09 million.

A TOYOTA CAMRY sold for NT\$360,000.

A Rolex watch was knocked down at NT\$530,000.

Combined with the sales of computer towers and monitors, the total proceeds of this auction reached NT\$11,238,900.

The event also integrated campaigns for anti-fraud, clean governance, and anti-bribery. An anti-corruption booth themed "Integrity in Enforcement, Professionalism, and Transparency" was set up at the venue to provide citizens with information on anti-fraud measures, anti-bribery initiatives, anti-corruption policies, and the protection of public interest whistleblowers. A prize-winning quiz successfully engaged the crowd, making legal education accessible and engaging for the public.

The Taichung Branch stated that it hopes to return illicit crime proceeds to society through a fair, just, and open auction process to protect the rights of all citizens. Every single gavel strike signifies the state's declaration of war against illicit forces, a commitment to society, and an opportunity for the public to participate in safeguarding justice.