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NHRC and APF High-Level Dialogue

CHAIRPERSON CHEN CHU: DRAW ON INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE TO PURSUE HUMAN RIGHTS



Chairperson Chen presenting a gift to Ms. Rosslyn Noonan
May 17, 2022

On May 16 and 17, the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and the regional human rights organization Asia Pacific Forum (APF) held a high-level dialogue. In her remarks, President Chen Chu of the Control Yuan said that in the pursuit of human rights, she wanted to further advance exchanges and cooperation between human rights institutions in Taiwan

and the Asia Pacific region.

APF representatives included Expert Consultant and former New Zealand Human Rights Commissioner Rosslyn Noonan, who attended in person, as well as APF Secretariat Director Kieren Fitzpatrick and Principal Adviser Pip Dargan, who both joined by videoconference. The two sides carried out a discussion and exchanged experiences on the NHRC's goals and priorities, engagement with other national human rights systems, and cooperation with stakeholders from government, parliament, and civil society. They also exchanged opinions on other issues including nondiscrimination, freedom of speech, whether to abolish or keep capital punishment, and human rights education.



Group photo of NHRC Chairperson Chen Chu, NHRC Commissioners, and Rosslyn Noonan, APF Senior Envoy & Expert, May 17, 2022

CY 2021 Work Review Meeting

PAST PERFORMANCE AND FUTURE PLANS



Chen chairs the 2021 Work Review Meeting; Jan. 11, 2022

The meeting on January 11, 2022 followed with presentations on the work status, performance, and areas for improvement. In 2021, CY received 14,403 public complaints and launched 280 investigations. It established 78 corrective measures, one censure case, and 16 impeachment cases. The CY also conducted 30 inspections of central government agencies and 22 of local government agencies.

Looking to the future, CY President Chen encouraged staff to tackle the pandemic together, perform their duties to the best of their abilities, and live up to the public's high expectations and confidence in the CY.

CY 2022 Spring Group Greetings

CHEN THANKED EVERYONE FOR THEIR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS OVER THE PAST YEAR



CY President Chen Chu wishes staff happy Lunar New Year at 2022 spring group greetings; Feb. 7, 2022

On February 7, 2022, the Control Yuan held a spring group greeting ceremony. In compliance with government anti-pandemic measures, the event was scaled down and participating staff wore masks throughout. The festive occasion was kicked off by President Chen, she hopes that the COVID-19 pandemic quickly subsides in the Year of the Tiger, so that the CY can build on the past, make strides into the future, and create new opportunities.

The staff of the Department of Supervisory Operation put on a lively tap dance show. The performances fully demonstrated team understanding and the combination of music and dance added to the festive atmosphere. The celebration was the perfect start to the Lunar New Year.



Chen (fourth from left) with CY members and Secretary General; Feb. 7, 2022



The CY staff bring the house down with their performance at spring group greetings; Feb. 7, 2022



Chen speaks at the welcome reception; May 30, 2022

Sixth CY VP Lee Hung-chun Inauguration & Welcome Reception

The position of Vice President of the Control Yuan (CY) has been vacant for nearly two years. On May 30, Dr. Lee Hung-chun took up his post as a member of the sixth term of the CY and its new VP. The CY specially held a welcome reception for its new VP on the day of his inauguration. CY President Chen Chu said the appointment of a VP marked the beginning of a new chapter for

the CY. “We need to give the public a new understanding and trust in the CY,” said Chen, “I hope Lee’s expertise, experience, communication and coordination skills will help us jointly maintain our constitutional functions.” VP Lee thanked the CY for organizing such a grand but heartwarming welcome reception. “I will help the CY President share responsibilities and work to the best of my abilities.”



“I would continue to do my best to carry out the role of CY VP.”

Welcome reception group photo with CY President Chen (Center, front row) and VP Lee (fourth from right, front row); May 30, 2022



NHRC’s First Easy Read CRPD Independent Opinion

The NHRC enlisted the League For Persons With Disabilities to convert the report of over 53,000 words into conversational language. An illustrator will draw nearly 100 pictures for explanations. By the end of July, 2022, a printed booklet, an electronic version of the report will be posted on the NHRC website.



Group photo of production team members; June 1, 2022

Chen Chu Leads CY Inspection of ILOSH

**CMTE. ON SOCIAL
WELFARE AND
ENVIRONMENT
HYGIENE AFFAIRS
CONCERNS FOR THE
RIGHTS OF WORKERS**



President Chen (center, front row) and a group of CY members visit ILOSH; April 22, 2022

The Committee on Social Welfare and Environment Hygiene Affairs of the Control Yuan (CY) inspected the specialist laboratory and labor safety and health exhibition hall at the Institute of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health (ILOSH) on April 22.

Within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, CY President Chen Chu was especially concerned for the occupational safety and rights of workers. Committee inspectors asked other questions about youth occupational safety research, drafting of the Labor Education Promotion Act, the impact of the pandemic on the labor market, labor shortage problems, occupational accident prevention, and the new labor pension system. The Labor Minister and the ILOSH Chairperson gave concise explanations and responses to the questions.



President Chen (center) and a group of CY members visit Beipu, Hsinchu County; March 30, 2022

CY inspects Hakka Affairs Council and Council of Agriculture

On March 30 and 31, CY President Chen Chu and CY members inspected the Hakka Affairs Council and the Council of Agriculture (COA).

The goal of the visits was to learn about the results of the agencies' work and their future priorities. The team visited Beipu Township, Hsinchu County, to investigate business creation and cultural industry development in the Hakka settlement.

To assess the results of the COA's promotion of smart agriculture, the team inspected relevant fruit and vegetable greenhouses, intelligent climate control systems, and a growing bag automatic production line.

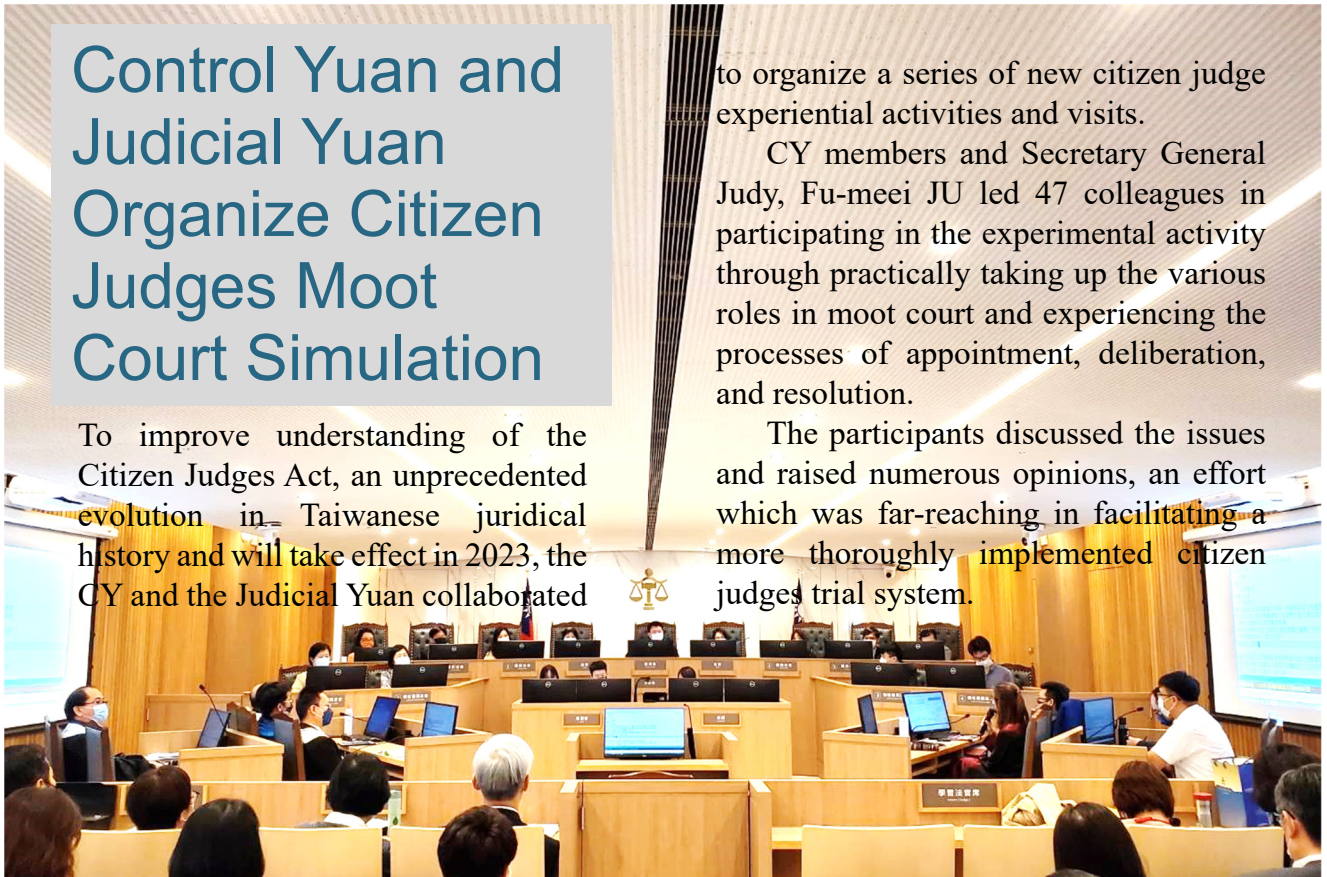
Control Yuan and Judicial Yuan Organize Citizen Judges Moot Court Simulation

To improve understanding of the Citizen Judges Act, an unprecedented evolution in Taiwanese juridical history and will take effect in 2023, the CY and the Judicial Yuan collaborated

to organize a series of new citizen judge experiential activities and visits.

CY members and Secretary General Judy, Fu-mei JU led 47 colleagues in participating in the experimental activity through practically taking up the various roles in moot court and experiencing the processes of appointment, deliberation, and resolution.

The participants discussed the issues and raised numerous opinions, an effort which was far-reaching in facilitating a more thoroughly implemented citizen judges trial system.



CY Staff Learn about Hi-tech Crime Work at Investigation Bureau

On February 16, 2022, the Control Yuan (CY) partnered with the Ministry of Justice Investigation Bureau (MJIB) to conduct a series of classes and working observations on the topic of science and technology in criminal investigations.



CY staff listen closely during the training; Feb. 16, 2022

The goal was to understand the bureau's work on clean government, anticorruption, and scientific forensics and investigations.

Topics were "The work of the Communication Surveillance Department and human rights protections," "Observation of forensic science facilities,

the Anti-drug Gallery, and mobile investigation vehicles" and "Case studies in anticorruption."

CY staff asked probing questions on the technical aspects and legality of audio surveillance of social messaging applications as well as how the work of communication surveillance is supervised. The visitors were impressed by the range of forensic science equipment, domestically-developed drug detection tests, and top-range mobile investigation vehicles. Participants said that learning will be useful in their work, as the CY continues to update its inspection skills and keep up with technical advances.



CY President Chen, VP Lee and CY members cheer for competing teams; June 22, 2022

CY Buzzer Competition

To strengthen the professional knowledge of new recruits and give senior staff a training in new information, the CY organized a buzzer game to encourage employees to gain a deeper understanding of the CY's functions, powers, and work on June 22. Before a concluding quiz, each department prepared a chant and a cheerleading routine to encourage their competing colleagues. The performances opened the competition.



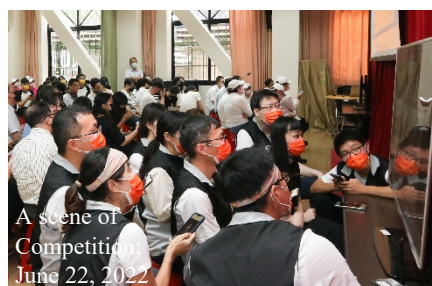
Cheerleading team – Supervisory Investigation Dept; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – Supervisory Operations Dept; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – Coordination and Planning Dept; June 22, 2022



A scene of Competition; June 22, 2022



A scene of Competition; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – Secretariat Dept; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – Standing Committees; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – Property Declaration by Public Servants Dept; June 22, 2022



Cheerleading team – NHRC; June 22, 2022

NHRC Releases Independent Opinion on the CRC

serve as a reference for experts when reviewing the National Report

On April 1, 2022, the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) released the Independent Opinion on the Second National Report on the Convention of the Rights of the Child (CRC).

Chairperson Chen Chu hopes that the government will be encouraged to incorporate diverse views on children and through the Independent Opinion, helping everyone better



understand the blueprint for Taiwan's children's rights policy and its implementation. At the same time, Chen expressed her concern for the innocent children being harmed in the conflict between Russia and Ukraine.

This Independent Opinion also addresses three main topics: children's rights during the COVID-19 pandemic, children's digital rights,



and alternative care measures for children. A total of 24 issues around the rights of children and young people have been put forward to outline the mechanism clearly.

NHRC Holds First Forum with Human Rights International Review Committee

Starting on May 9, 2022, NHRC Chairperson Chen Chu and other NHRC members for the first time took part in the three-day international review of Taiwan's national report on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and

Cultural Rights. On May 13, the NHRC exchanged views in a forum with members of the international review committee, who all have years of experience in United Nations human rights work. Experts from a total of nine countries came to Taiwan for the review.



On March 3, the NHRC and the Digital Financial Transaction and Data Protection Association held two seminars for new technology.

Responses to encryption

CY SG Judy, Fu-mei JU gave a speech and analyzed the impact of encryption technology on online investigations, how to reset the power balance between citizens and government.

Ways to balance

The second seminar focused on the financial industry in a highly digitalized age and the resulting human rights issue of consumers personal data protection. While enjoying the convenience brought by technological advances, comprehensive mechanisms need to be established to prevent erosion of human rights. The events produced an interdisciplinary exchange of diverse opinions and practical experiences.



Seminar on Regulations and Principles for New Tech

Control Yuan Provides Accessible Services through Video Petitions and Appointments

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5日	6日	7日	8日	9日	10日	11日
12日	13日	14日	15日	16日	17日	18日
19日	20日	21日	22日	23日	24日	25日
26日	27日	28日	29日	30日	31日	

In 2021, the CY began accepting petitions via teleconferencing, enabling people to submit their complaints personally without the obstacle of long-distance travel. CY

Members take their turn at the Complaints Acceptance Center accepting petitions from people who have come to be heard.

To boost efficiency and better meet the needs of the public, the CY launched an appointment system for in-person petitions on June 14, 2022. This new process will reduce the amount of time the public needs to wait for service, improve case acceptance efficiency, and facilitate more accurate handling.

CY Art Competition

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