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Estate Surveyor of HD and husband charged with \$4.8m housing allowances fraud

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An Estate Surveyor of the Housing Department (HD) and her husband have been charged by the ICAC today (July 11) with fraud by using false declarations and statements to deceive Private Tenancy Allowances (PTA) totalling over \$4.8 million from the Government for over 17 years.

Wong Shuk-chun, 59, Estate Surveyor of the HD, and her husband Luk Tung-choi, 56, department manager of a computer company, face a joint charge of fraud, contrary to Section 16A of the Theft Ordinance.

The defendants will appear in the Eastern Magistracy on Friday (July 13) for transfer to the District Court for plea.

The case arose from a complaint referred by the Treasury. Subsequent ICAC enquiries revealed the above alleged offence.

At the material time, Wong was the Estate Surveyor of the HD. She joined the HD in 1980 and was eligible for PTA since 1995 after getting married, subject to the rule against double housing benefit.

The charge alleges that between March 23, 2000 and July 25, 2017, Wong and Luk dishonestly and falsely represented in nine "Statements on Housing and Housing Related Benefits Received by an Officer/His Spouse" that Luk had not received any assistance for purchasing a property or renting an accommodation or cash allowance from his employer, and with intent to defraud, induced the Government to grant housing allowances in the total sum of over \$4.8 million to Wong, which resulted in benefit to Wong or prejudice to the Government.

ICAC enquiries revealed that Luk had been receiving a monthly housing allowance, ranging from \$800 to \$7,500, under the housing assistance plan provided by his employer since 1989.

The Treasury, the HD and Luk's employer have rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The defendants have been released on ICAC bail, pending their court appearance on Friday.

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新聞公佈

廉署起訴房屋署產業測量師及丈夫涉嫌詐騙房屋津貼四百八十萬元

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廉政公署今日(七月十一日)起訴一名房屋署產業測量師及其丈夫，控告他們涉嫌以虛假聲明及陳述，於逾十七年內欺詐政府共逾四百八十萬元自行租屋津貼。

黃淑珍，五十九歲，房屋署產業測量師，及其丈夫陸棟才，五十六歲，一間電腦公司部門經理，同被控一項欺詐罪名，違反《盜竊罪條例》第16A條。

被告將於星期五(七月十三日)在東區裁判法院應訊，以待案件轉介區域法院答辯。

廉署早前接獲庫務署轉介的投訴，調查後揭發上述涉嫌罪行。

黃淑珍於案發期間任職房屋署產業測量師，她於一九八〇年加入房屋署，並在結婚之後自一九九五年起可申領自行租屋津貼，但其申領資格須符合不得享用雙重房屋福利的規定。

控罪指黃淑珍及陸棟才涉嫌於二〇〇〇年三月二十三日至二〇一七年七月二十五日期間，不誠實地在九份「有關公務員/其配偶已享用的房屋福利及與房屋有關連福利的聲明書」上虛假地表示陸棟才沒有接受其僱主任何購屋或租屋資助或現金津貼，並意圖詐騙而誘使政府向黃淑珍批出共逾四百八十萬元房屋津貼，導致黃淑珍獲得利益或政府蒙受不利。

廉署調查發現，陸棟才自一九八九年根據其僱主提供的一個房屋資助計劃，每月收取八百元至七千五百元不等的房屋津貼。

庫務署、房屋署及陸棟才的僱主在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

被告已獲廉署准予保釋，以待星期五應訊。

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