HONGKONG SOLICITOR SUED FOR \$HK15,000

Mr Kwan Man Kwong (關文光), a solicitor of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), cannot be feeling very chipper today because he has just been sued for \$HK15,000.

Mr Allan Yip Siu Man (葉少民) was the Claimant in Small Claims Tribunal Case Number 067197, which was Heard last Friday.

Mr Kwan Man Kwong is a solicitor in the employ of Yip and Partners of Fortune House, Central, Hongkong.

The Claimant alleges that Mr Kwan Man Kwong had been professionally negligent in respect of his handling of District Court Employee Compensation Number 447 of 1999 in the case of Mr Allan Yip Siu Man v. Far East Hydrofoil Company Ltd (遠東噴射船有限公司).

This case was, subsequently, transferred to the HKSAR High Court.

The 1999 case was that Mr Allan Yip Siu Man was injured while in the employ of Far East Hydrofoil and he sued his former employer, the case, having been filed on June 14, 1999.

The Claim against Mr Kwan Man Kwong, according to Mr Allan Yip Siu Man, is that the HKSAR High Court had instructed him to sue Mr Kwan Man Kwong in The Small Claims Tribunal.

It is alleged that a judge, sitting in his Chambers at the High Court, told the Claimant that he was entitled to issue legal proceedings in The Small Claims Tribunal against the Defendant in order to obtain the monetary difference between that which he received in District Court Employee Compensation Number 447 of 1999 and what he should have received as his due entitlement.

The Form of Claim is written in the Chinese language and appears to have been written by Mr Allan Yip Siu Man, personally.

As such, Mr Allan Yip Siu Man may have become a little confused with regard to the titles, afforded to members of various courts of the HKSAR, namely, High Court Judges, District Court Judges, Adjudicators, etc.

Be that as it may, it appears that Mr Allan Yip Siu Man has determined that \$HK15,000 is the difference between the amount of compensation that he received from Far East Hydrofoil in his 1999 Action in the District Court and the amount of money that he feels he was entitled to receive for his injuries.

Mr Allan Yip Siu Man appears to know his way round some of the courts of the territory because, according to **TOLFIN** (泰達資訊) (The Computerised Online Financial Intelligence Service and Web-Based, Credit-Checking Provider), he had been a not infrequent *'customer'* of the District Court between June 1999 and June 2001.

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