

Press Release

IPCC released its 2022/23 Report

(HONG KONG — 13 December 2023) The Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) yesterday held a media briefing to publish its 14th Report since becoming a statutory body.

During the 2022/23 reporting period, the IPCC received investigation reports from the Complaints Against Police Office (CAPO) on 1,413 new Reportable Complaint cases, representing a year-on-year decrease of 11.1%. During the same period, the IPCC endorsed 1,419 Reportable Complaint cases, representing a year-on-year decrease of 16.8%.

The endorsed Reportable Complaint cases involved a total of 2,218 allegations, representing a year-on-year decrease of 19.3%. Nearly 90% of the allegations were minor in nature, involving “Neglect of Duty” (1,033 allegations, 46.6% of the total) and “Misconduct/ Improper Manner/ Offensive Language” (942 allegations, 42.5%). *(Please refer to the Annex for more statistics.)*

Ms Priscilla WONG Pui-sze, SBS, JP, Chairman of the IPCC, said, “As always, the IPCC examines each complaint strictly on the basis of fact and evidence. We believe that the overall decrease in the number of complaints last year was related to the pandemic. However, since the society returned to normalcy earlier this year, we have noticed an uptick in the number of complaints arising from daily policing duties. The IPCC will keep monitoring the complaints trend, and propose Service

Quality Improvement Initiatives (SQIIs) to the police with a view to reducing unnecessary complaints.”

Over the past 14 years, the IPCC has raised more than 220 SQIIs. During the reporting period, the Council put forward a total of 19 SQIIs to the police. At the media briefing, Secretary-General Mr Daniel MUI introduced some of these SQIIs, covering the topics of traffic enforcement, handling of digital forensics evidence and others.

The Council maintains close contact with stakeholders through a wide array of channels to enhance public understanding of the work of the IPCC and the two-tier complaints system. Mr Clement CHAN Kam-wing, BBS, MH, JP, Chairman of the Publicity and Community Relations Committee of the IPCC, said, “The Council organised and took part in more than 30 outreach activities during the reporting period, reaching over 10,000 citizens, teachers, students, as well as representatives of the police, media and professional bodies. The Council also produced an educational animation for students to explain complainants’ rights and responsibilities and the role and statutory functions of the IPCC.”

IPCC Chairman Ms Priscilla WONG concluded, “In the coming year, the IPCC will further its educational initiatives. We also plan to visit more police formations to see how the SQIIs are put into practice and to understand the challenges faced by frontline police officers. Meanwhile, the IPCC will continue to examine each complaint impartially and meticulously. By proposing pragmatic SQIIs, the IPCC works with the police to drive changes and enhance service quality, through which the solid foundation for mutual trust and public confidence in the

complaints system would be strengthened.”

The IPCC 2022/23 Report is available on the IPCC website:

https://www.ipcc.gov.hk/en/publications/annual_report/2022.html.

獨立監察警方處理投訴委員會 2022/23 工作報告
Report of the Independent Police Complaints Council 2022/23

數字摘要 Fact Sheet

接獲及通過的須匯報投訴個案數字
Number of Reportable Complaint cases received and endorsed

<i>p.38</i>	2022/23	2021/22
接獲的須匯報投訴個案 Reportable Complaint cases received	1,413	1,590
通過的須匯報投訴個案 Reportable Complaint cases endorsed	1,419	1,705

監警會通過的指控
Allegations endorsed by the IPCC

<i>p.39</i>	2022/23	2021/22
指控總數 Total number of allegations	2,218	2,747

其中主要的三項指控
Three major allegations

<i>p.39</i>	2022/23	2021/22
疏忽職守 Neglect of Duty	1,033	1,169
行為不當／態度欠佳／粗言穢語 Misconduct/ Improper Manner/ Offensive Language	942	1,307
毆打 Assault	137	119

監警會通過的調查結果
Investigation results endorsed by the IPCC

<i>p.41</i>	2022/23	2021/22
經全面調查 Required full investigation		
獲證明屬實 Substantiated	52	83
未經舉報但證明屬實 Substantiated Other Than Reported	45	44
無法完全證明屬實 Not Fully Substantiated	3	6
無法證實 Unsubstantiated	177	289
並無過錯 No Fault	234	397
虛假不確 False	43	62
小計 Subtotal	554	881
無需進行全面調查 Did not require full investigation		
透過簡便方式解決 Informally Resolved	389	335
投訴撤回 Withdrawn	665	705
無法追查 Not Pursuable	610	826
小計 Subtotal	1,664	1,866
總數 Total	2,218	2,747

警方就監警會通過的投訴個案向違規的警務人員採取的行動

Police actions taken against defaulting officers regarding cases endorsed by the IPCC

<i>p.44</i>	2022/23	2021/22
刑事訴訟 Criminal proceedings	0	7
紀律覆檢 Disciplinary review	0	2
警告 Warnings	20	34
訓諭 Advice	82	96
總數 Total	102	139

監警會向投訴警察課提出的質詢
Queries raised by the IPCC to CAPO

<i>p.46</i>	2022/23	2021/22
質詢總數 Total number of Queries	941	1,284

監警會通過的經修訂分類結果
Changes of classification endorsed by the IPCC

<i>p.48</i>	2022/23	2021/22
指控總數 Total number of allegations	116	225
再分類為「獲證明屬實」 Reclassified to “Substantiated”	19	35
再分類「無法完全證明屬實」 Reclassified to “Not Fully Substantiated”	1	6
再分類為「並無過錯」 Reclassified to “No Fault”	40	85
再分類為「虛假不確」 Reclassified to “False”	13	24

就改善警隊常規和程序提出的建議
Recommended improvements to police practices and procedures

<i>p.49</i>	2022/23	2021/22
建議總數 Total number of suggestions	19	24

觀察數字及觀察員出席率

Number of observations and attendance rate of IPCC Observers

<i>p.51</i>	2022/23	2021/22
觀察數字 Number of observations	1,915	1,848
出席率 Attendance rate	98.1%	99.1%

須知會投訴數字

Number of Notifiable Complaints

<i>p.52</i>	2022/23	2021/22
經監警會檢視的須知會投訴 Notifiable Complaints examined by the IPCC	766	690
重新歸類為須匯報投訴 Re-categorised as Reportable Complaint	1	2

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