



北美洲台灣人教授協會
NORTH AMERICA TAIWANESE PROFESSORS' ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 651, San Ramon, CA 94583
e-mail: edhuang_2001@yahoo.com

Tel & Fax: (925) 968-1749
website: www.natpa.org

President	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer
Edward T.S. Huang	Shitien Yang	Jensen Chung	Jiann-tysh Lin
(925) 968-1749	(630) 718-1883	(415) 564-3755	(925) 736-2304

June 8, 2006

Headquarters
Executive Director
Shutsung Liao

Board of Directors
Wen S. Chan
Jerry T.J. Chuang
Jeff Hou
Edward T. S. Huang
Jonathan Lin
Yao-chung Tsao
Jay J. F. Tu
Shitien Yang
Henry T. Wang
William W.S. Wei

Committees

Research

Wen S. Chan

Helen Lee
Jay J.F. Tu

Finance

Emil T. Lin

Publication

Yao-Chung Tsao

Jensen Chung
Tung J. Chuang
Monica Hsieh
Ruey-ming Loo
Shiu-Ju Tsao

Info Technology

Chung-Chih Li

Nomination

Henry T. Wang

Membership

Jerry T. J. Chuang

Michael C. Chen

Public Affairs

Jay J.F. Tu

Yuh-lang Lin

Philip K. Liu

Jack C. P. Su

Young Scholar Program

Jeff Hou

C. P. Yeh

Dear Sir:

We write this letter to express our deep concern on the recent court detention of Dr. Shieh Ching Jyh, a highly regarded member of our organization.

Dr. Shieh's outright dedication to Taiwan and his accomplishments including the recent launching of Formosa III satellite are well-known and admired by all of us. We are thus extremely distressed to see him incarcerated even though the detention is for interrogative purposes only and it is in no way an indication of his guilt.

Over the last few years, many Taiwanese Americans have returned to Taiwan with the desire to help their homeland. They did so purely for love of their motherland. Despite such a noble intention, it has not been easy for them because of the divisive political environment in Taiwan. While there were a few instances in the past in which some of them have run into legal entanglement out of ignorance or unfamiliarity with local regulations, the case of Dr. Shieh appears to be particularly bothersome.

While we do not pretend to know all the details about Dr. Shieh's case, we believe from what have been reported in the media that Dr. Shieh is innocent of any wrong doing. We hope that the judicial system in Taiwan has matured enough to treat the case in a fair and just manner without any influence from outside, be it political, media hawking or otherwise. We like to see that Dr. Shieh be set free immediately from the interrogative detainment if the prosecutors can not produce solid evidence against Dr. Shieh soon.

Sincerely,

Edward Huang, President
North America Taiwanese Professors' Association