

# The Case Study of Economic Fraud Crime Investigation and Counter Measures in Taiwan Area

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## ABSTRACT

Economic fraud crime has been increasing in recent years. The main reason is that the fraud criminals take advantage of human greediness for money and human nature of negligence. It is easy for the criminal using bogus bank account or fictitious mobile phone number and by using new modus operandi to collect their fraud proceeds. However, the stringent law enforcement by the police and authorities concerned cannot curb the increasing tendency of the crime. The critical situation of the fraud crime pose a great threat to financial system, affect the economic order and impede the development of enterprises. This situation has caused great damage to our society in the country. In view of this, researchers begin to study economic fraud crime investigation and countermeasures so that a better understanding of the fact and its epidemic can be obtained. We hope that an effective measure can be developed to crack down on the new economic fraud crimes, once and for all. This case study method applies literature survey, governmental material analysis and questionnaire. The literature survey is based on extensive collection of the status quo of economic fraud crime, modus operandi, theory and practical prevention to explore the question; governmental material analysis is based on the governmental statistics in 2003 for interpretation; a questionnaire is constructed for prisoners of fraud crime in Hsinchu Jail for pre-test, after revised the questionnaire, a formal questionnaire will be conducted for the fraud criminals from jails in Taipei, Taichung and Tainan so that a concrete information of fraud crime can be obtained. According to the above-mentioned methods produce large amount of data for analysis and come up with the following results: 1. Most of the fraudsters use bogus bank account and bogus phone number as a crime tools. 2. Fraud rings use propaganda bill or mobile phone to convince the general public. 3. Fraud crime occurs evenly during the year except February while the police have strong law enforcement during the lunar New Year. 4. Fraud crime is likely to occur in Metropolitan Taipei, Taichung city and county and Touyuan county. 5. Most of the fraud crime suspects and victims are unemployed. 6. Most of the fraud crime suspects and victims are senior high school educated. 7. The number of male is more than female in the fraud crime. 8. Unmarried and divorce rate is rather high for fraud crime criminals. 9. Family member above five persons and worse financially supported family has high tendency for committing a crime. 10. The victim of the fraud crime is regardless of sex. 11. The fraudsters tend to indulge material enjoyment and squander money. 12. The recidivism rate of fraud scam is high after release from jail. 13. The police and authorities concerned have to double their effort to crack down on fraud scams. To sum up the research results above, we can clearly understand the scam of the economic fraud crime. In this case study, varieties of feasible countermeasures can be found, and concrete proposals to current problems facing, as well. Hoping the police agencies, authorities concerned and the general public can benefit from the case study research. At the last part of the research are the proposals for the future researchers, these proposals will assist them understand the origin of the economic fraud crime and enhance the value of their future research. We firmly believe that a joint effort of all agencies can eliminate the new economic fraud crime from our society.

Keywords : Bogus ( fictitious ) bank account, bogus phone number, countermeasure, crack down, new fraud crime

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