

AGC ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S CHAMBERS

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ONG BENG SENG CHARGED WITH ABETTING OFFENCES UNDER SECTIONS 165 AND 204A OF THE PENAL CODE

On 4 October 2024, Ong Beng Seng ("Ong") was charged with two offences, as follows:

- a) An offence under Section 165 read with Section 109 of the Penal Code 1871, for abetting S Iswaran ("Iswaran") to obtain two flights and accommodation in Doha, Qatar, with a total value of S\$20,848.03, from Ong himself, for no consideration; and
- b) An offence under Section 204A(*a*) read with Section 109 of the Penal Code 1871, for abetting Iswaran to obstruct the course of justice.

2 These charges against Ong correspond to two of the charges to which Iswaran pleaded guilty on 24 September 2024.

3 The Prosecution will not be tendering charges against Ong for his involvement in the other charges that Iswaran faced. In arriving at this decision, the Prosecution considered all the relevant facts and circumstances of the case, including the role that Ong played in each of the transactions.

4 As the matter is now before the Court, the Attorney-General's Chambers is unable to comment further.

5 The Prosecution will not be tendering charges against Lum Kok Seng.

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