

STATEMENT OF A WITNESS

IN THE MATTER OF OPERATION AERO

DATE : 1 OCTOBER 2019

NAME : VALENTINE YEE

ADDRESS :



OCCUPATION : ACCOUNTANT

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence I would be prepared if necessary to give in the Independent Commission Against Corruption (“the Commission”) as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence I will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 45 years of age.
3. I am the son of May Ho Yee and Stanley Yee and brother of Jonathan Yee.
4. I am the Chief Financial Officer of Emperor’s Garden Pty Ltd.
5. Sometime after I received my summons to give evidence at the public hearing being late July 2019, but before I gave evidence at the Commission being 12 September 2019, Ernest Wong visited Emperor’s Garden Restaurant at Hay Street and proceeded upstairs to level one.
6. That day, I was called to see Ernest Wong at a private room on level one of the Emperor’s Garden Restaurant at Hay Street.
7. After sitting down in the private room, Ernest Wong said words to the effect of “how are you holding up?”
8. I responded to Ernest Wong saying “I am doing okay”.
9. Ernest Wong was trying to comfort me and said words to the effect of “You should stick to the version of the ‘truth’ we have given as evidence in the private inquiry”.
10. Ernest Wong also said words to the effect of “the Commission does not have sufficient evidence to prove the donations by Emperor’s Garden Pty Ltd and yourself were straw donations.”

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- 11. Ernest Wong also said words to the effect of “the hardest and most uncomfortable thing about a public inquiry is the media chasing you after the completion of giving evidence.”

- 12. My conversation with Ernest Wong was between one minute and two minutes in length. The only people present in the private room were Ernest Wong and myself.

WITNESS: SIGNATURE: 