

# **Taiwanese Public Supports Government's Strengthening of "Anti-Infiltration Act" to Safeguard National Security**

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The Mainland Affairs Council (MAC) today (June 6) announced the results of a recently conducted poll. The results indicated that, with the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) targeting Taiwan through its united front work, infiltration, and interference in elections, the Taiwanese people support the government in safeguarding national security by further strengthening the "Anti-Infiltration Act." The survey results reflect that the public recognizes the government's steady promotion of cross-Strait affairs, and its defense of national sovereignty and our free and democratic system.

The MAC stated that the survey explored the public's views on the much-discussed Anti-Infiltration Act. The results showed that 65% (65.0%) of respondents believe that the CCP's united front work, infiltration, and election interference against Taiwan have become increasingly severe over recent years. Over 80% (81.8%) of respondents support the government continuously strengthening legal measures to prevent infiltration activities. Additionally, over 55% (55.1%) of respondents think that the "Anti-Infiltration Act" should be further strengthened to regulate a wider range of behaviors that endanger national security. The survey also indicated that more than 55% of those surveyed believe that "national sovereignty" (56.4%) is more important than "economic benefits" (36.5%) in cross-Strait interactions and exchanges.

The MAC stressed that, the "Anti-Infiltration Act" supplements existing legal norms, strengthens democratic defense mechanisms, and maintains healthy and orderly cross-Strait exchanges. The government will continue to follow mainstream public opinion in Taiwan, strengthen

relevant national security laws, and safeguard national sovereignty, security, democracy and freedom. The MAC also urged the other side of the Taiwan Strait to cease its united front work and infiltration tactics targeting Taiwan, and instead engage in communication and dialogue with our government based on the principles of parity and dignity, as it will be conducive to the positive development of cross-Strait relations.

The MAC commissioned Ipsos Limited to conduct a telephone survey of adults in Taiwan aged 20 and over from May 3 to May 6, 2024. A total of 1,073 valid samples were obtained, with a sampling error of  $\pm 2.99\%$  at a 95% level of confidence.