

Taiwanese celebrity's daughter to plead guilty to casino offences - TODAYonline

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Singapore - A Taiwanese celebrity's daughter, accused of converting more than \$100,000 worth of casino cash chips for her own use, intends to plead guilty to her offences, a district court heard yesterday.

Chiu Yee Fong was working at Resorts World Sentosa casino as a croupier when she allegedly committed

the crimes.

The 30-year-old also told the court that her parents would be making restitution to the casino on her behalf.

Chiu allegedly converted chips amounting to \$111,400 entrusted to her by the casino between Sept 28 and Nov 7. She also purportedly converted another \$900 worth of casino chips for her own use on Nov 6.

About \$11,000 worth of casino chips were also allegedly found in Chiu's possession in a flat at Block 33, Toa Payoh Lorong 6, on Oct 21.

Yesterday, Chiu accepted the prosecution's offer to plead guilty to two of the three charges she faced.

The case was adjourned for a week for the Attorney-General's Chambers to appoint a deputy public prosecutor to handle the matter. Chiu, the daughter of Taiwanese actor Chiu Yong Qin, will be back in court on Jan 3.

Speaking to reporters later, Mr Chiu - who regularly appears on drama serials on television here - said his daughter, who arrived here a few months ago, had problems adjusting to life in Singapore.

She also has a history of anxiety and panic attacks, added Mr Chiu, who is also known by his stage name, Long Tian Xiang.

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If convicted of converting the chips for her own use, Chiu can be jailed up to 15 years and fined. She can also be jailed up to five years and fined a maximum of \$150,000 if found guilty of possessing the chips outside the casino.

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