

# **The NAC and prosecutors have conducted searches in a systemic corruption case. Customs Service employees, brokers and a business entity are targeted**



Officers of the National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC) and prosecutors of the Chisinau City Prosecutor's Office have conducted several searches in a systemic corruption case, targeting representatives of the Customs Service, representatives of a customs brokerage company, as well as a business entity.

According to the case materials, the criminal investigations target the allegedly illicit activity of a customs broker, who allegedly demanded and received from the representative of a business entity undue financial means. In exchange for these, the broker allegedly promised to influence some Customs Service employees to facilitate the validation of customs declarations in the process of importing certain products.

Following the special investigative measures and the criminal investigation actions carried out, one person was detained for 72 hours and is to be placed in detention centre of the NAC. Four other people, including employees of the Customs Service, are to be investigated at liberty.

The actions continue under the procedural leadership of the prosecutors, to establish all the circumstances of the case and identify all the persons involved.

We remind that any person shall be presumed innocent until a final court decision is rendered.