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COMBATING CORRUPTION AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Cases: 25 criminal cases, initiated on the facts of passive corruption, active corruption, influence peddling, abuse of office, illicit enrichment, financing of political parties and falsification of evidence through corruption acts.

Subjects investigated: 1 former Member of Parliament of the RM, representatives of the Central Public Administration of the RM and the National Agency for Energy Regulation, public persons from the City Hall of the Sofia village, Hîncești district, 1 lawyer, 4 ANSA inspectors, 1 public procurement specialist from the Cahul City Hall, 1 municipal councilor within the Comrat Municipal Council, 2 economic agents and 2 natural persons involved in acts of corruption, as well as other subjects, who are under criminal investigation.



Domain: public procurement, finance, state enterprises, public services, justice, construction.

Damage: 14,156,086 lei.

Detention: 3 people detained.

Purpose: 8 criminal cases were submitted to the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office with the proposal to be referred to the court.

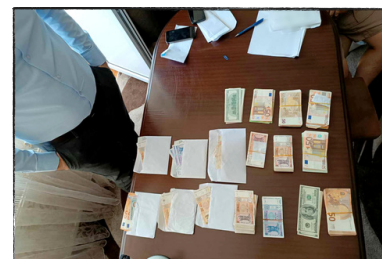
Combating corruption in the press:

- The businessman, detained in March for active corruption, will appear in the court
- A border policeman was detained for influence peddling after receiving 12,000 euros
- A department head from the Florești District Council, investigated for the abuse of office when concluding procurement contracts of over 600 thousand lei
- Two defendants, sent to court for acts of corruption, involving a bribe of 200,000 euros

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- The lawyer who evaded the criminal investigation body, referred to justice
- Former bailiff, sent to court for influence peddling of 47,000 euros
- Two policemen from Ceadr-Lunga and an intermediary were detained by the NAC and prosecutors in a case of passive corruption
- Two department heads from the Ialoveni District Hospital, suspected of committing dozens of episodes of passive corruption
- Several heads of the Institute of Oncology are under criminal investigation by the NAC and prosecutors for systematically claiming illegal remuneration
- Investigative judge cancels the Anticorruption Prosecutor's act on a corruption case already pending for a year at the Chisinau Court, Buiucani headquarters
- A man from Chisinau, convicted of influence peddling when issuing a driver's license
- BEM case: 5 people, referred to justice for causing a damage of 11 million lei
- Suspended prison sentence for the citizen of the Republic of Moldova who, together with a citizen of Ukraine, bribed a border policeman
- Man from Florești, sentenced to 3 years in prison for influence peddling when obtaining 3 driving licenses



CRIMINAL ASSETS RECOVERY AGENCY

Delegations: 11 delegations, ordered within 9 criminal cases, regarding 20 subjects. Also, 10 delegations were executed, ordered within 10 criminal cases, regarding 21 subjects. On 31.07.2023, the Agency had 118 delegations in the procedure, ordered within 86 criminal cases regarding 183 subjects.

Seizures: 42,186,047.77 lei.

Assets, management and disposal: the evaluations of 75 criminal assets were carried out (66 movable assets and 9 immovable assets), in a total amount of 199,335,875.80 lei.



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At the same time, the administration of seized funds was ensured, in cash, in national currency (MDL) and foreign currency (EUR, USD), the value of which, equated in national currency - Moldovan lei, according to the official exchange rate of the NBM, on the date of 31.07.2023, constitutes 1,098,484.24 lei.

Criminal Assets Recovery Agency, in the press:

- [CARA seized assets of over 3 million lei and took into administration a luxury car of about 2.7 million lei](#)
- [CARA of the NAC seized 454 assets, worth about 17 million lei last week](#)
- [Cars, construction land and other assets, worth about 10 million lei, seized by the CARA of the NAC last week](#)
- [CARA under the NAC seized assets of over 12 million lei](#)
- [NAC synthesis: CARA seized assets of about 2,4 million lei last week](#)



INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND INTEGRITY TESTING

Ongoing evaluation activities: sectoral evaluation of 12 road entities

Finished evaluations: IMSP Republican Clinical Hospital "Timofei Moşneaga"

[Report on the results of the institutional integrity testing within the IMSP RCH "Timofei Moşneaga"](#)

Monitoring reports: 7 public entities

Monitoring reports developed and published:

- [Monitoring report on the execution of the Integrity Plan of the National Food Safety Agency](#)
- [Monitoring report on the implementation of the Integrity Plan of the General Inspectorate of the Border Police of the MIA](#)
- [Monitoring report on the implementation of the Integrity Plan of the National Public Security Inspectorate of the GPI of the MIA](#)



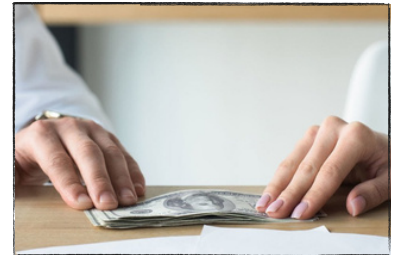
Integrity records issued: 492

LEGISLATION AND ANTI-CORRUPTION EXPERTISE

In July 2023, the NAC drew up and sent 80 anti-corruption expert reports to public entities with the right of legislative initiative (authors of draft normative acts).

Out of the total number of 80 expertized projects, 23 are draft laws, 42 draft Government decisions, and 15 are draft departmental acts.

- 237 risk factors (the most widespread: ambiguous wording that admits abusive interpretations (12.66%); lack/ambiguity of administrative procedures (14.77%); attributions that admit derogations and abusive interpretations (14.35%); gap in law (8.86%), competition of legal norms (5.08%));
- 284 corruption risks (the most widespread: abuse of office (13.73%); exceeding the duties of office (9.15%); conflict of interest and/or favoritism (11.27%); undue influence (10.21 %), influence peddling (11.27%)).



EXPERT REPORTS

- Draft law for the amendment of some normative acts (strengthening the regulatory authority in the field of electronic communications and synchronizing the term of validity of licenses for the use of frequencies issued through competition).
- Draft law on meteorological and hydrological activity
- Draft decision of the Balti Municipal Council regarding the approval of the Regulation on the establishment and operation of the Transparency Council in the municipality of Balti
- Draft decision of the Government regarding the approval of the Regulation on the organization and operation of the Appeal Commission



- Draft decision of the Government regarding the approval of the Regulation on the control over the activity within the condominium
- Draft law to amend Law no. 74/2020 on procurement in the energy, water, transport and postal services sectors



ANALYTICAL ACTIVITY

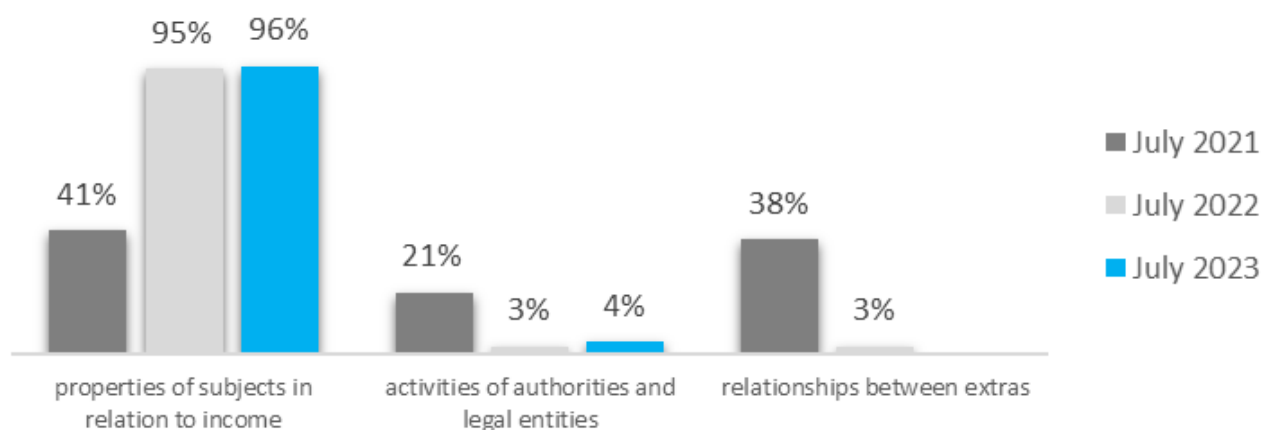
23 operational analysis reports and 1 strategic analysis report were developed, regarding a criminal case conducted by the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office and an investigation carried out by the NAC on the alleged acts of corruption and related to corruption, as well as in relation to other requests.



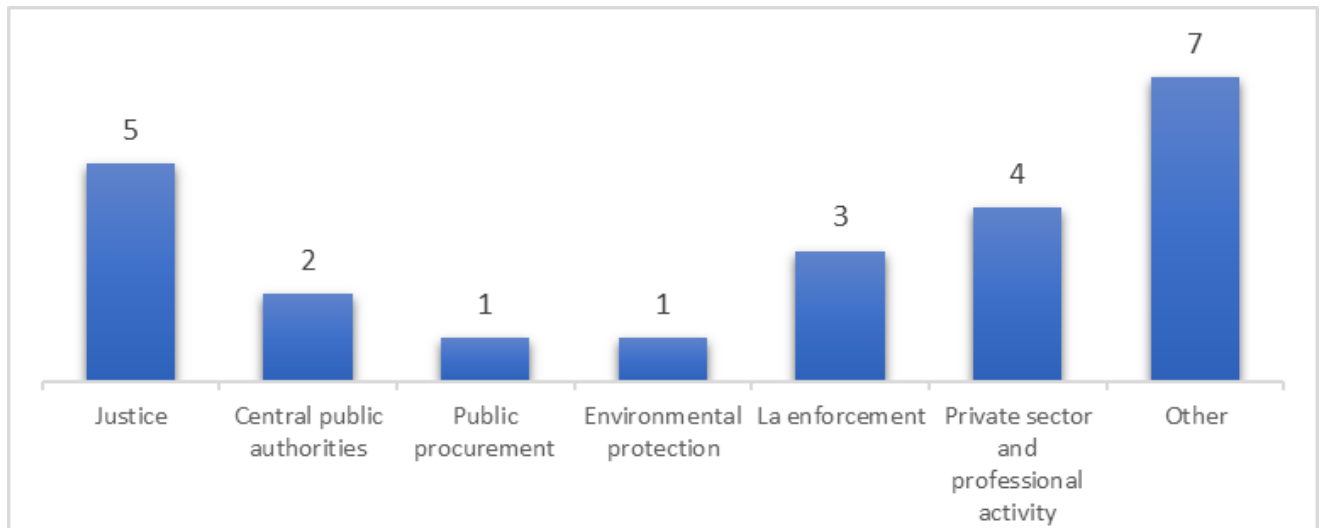
Thus, 96% of the reports drawn up, concerned the analysis of the assets owned by the data subjects, of incomes and sources of income, as well as personal interests in relation to the field of competence in which the subjects carried out their activity. In other 4% of cases, the operational analyzes targeted the activity of public authorities regarding public procurement.



Distribution of OAR depending on the objectives of the requests



At the same time, the operational analyzes referred to people from the justice sector (5 reports), the central public administration (2 reports), law enforcement (3), etc.



The Analytical Directorate published "[Strategic analysis of the convictions adopted, during 2022, in cases of corruption and related acts, as well as corruptible acts](#)".

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

- A group of 15 NAC officers participated in the training courses in the field of OSINT, in the city of Grays, Great Britain, between 23 and 29.07.2023. The course was organized within the Project "Consolidation of the Rule of Law and Anticorruption Mechanisms in the Republic of Moldova", implemented by the German International Cooperation Agency (GIZ).
- A group of NAC employees undertook a working visit and exchange of experience in the field of judicial expertise in the city of Iasi, Romania, on 20.07.2023.
- NAC, as the national coordinator of the evaluation process within the 5th round of monitoring under the Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan conducted by the Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia (ACN) of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), continued to ensure the coordination of the draft Report prepared by ACN/OECD with the national authorities of the Republic of Moldova.



ANTI-CORRUPTION EDUCATION

Trainings: 33 trainings

Number of trained persons: 1749 persons

Number of campaigns: 5 information and awareness-raising campaigns:

- The end of the second stage of the and awareness-raising campaign **"The Art of Staying Honest"**, the NAC in partnership with the Theater Center of Moldova and the National Theater "Mihai Eminescu", with the support of the project financed by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany (GIZ). The show "The Choice of Mr Macabeț" was presented in Leova district. About 250 people participated.
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- The end of **NAC-LTD Chisinau-Gaz** information and awareness-raising campaign, which aims to promote and cultivate integrity in the private sector and strengthen institutional and professional integrity, including increasing the degree of responsibility in the process of executing service activities. The employees were familiarized with the measures to ensure integrity in the private sector in relations with the public sector, and in particular with the legal regime of gifts, conflicts of interest, compliance with the restrictions and limitations established for former public agents, internal managerial control systems, business transparency the private sector with the state, liability for acts of corruption and mechanisms for reporting to the NAC. 4 trainings were held for about 175 people.
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- The information and awareness-raising campaign with the generic **"For Safety We Build with Integrity"**, the NAC in partnership with the Ministry of Infrastructure and Regional Development, for those responsible in the field of construction (districts of Șoldănești, Fălești, Florești). 3 activities were carried out for about 250 people.
- The information and awareness-raising campaign with the generic **"Integrity for Health"**, the NAC jointly with MS-CNAS-AO HOMECARE, for the medical personnel of the Health Centers (the districts of Soroca, Șoldănești, Fălești and Florești). 4 activities were carried out for about 170 people.
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- The information and awareness-raising campaign "**Integrity: Precondition for Preventing the Risks of Corruption**", NAC-AAIJ-ANI, for exponents of the justice sector (courts, Chisinau municipality, Soroca district). 4 activities were carried out for 80 people.

The anti-corruption training activities regarding the assurance and promotion of integrity and anti-corruption policies were also carried out within the continuous professional training courses organized by the training centers of public entities, namely:



- The **Training Center of the Customs Service**, the Module "Ensuring and Controlling Institutional and Professional Integrity" included the legal regime of conflicts of interest, gifts, undue influences, the mechanism for reporting manifestations of corruption and whistleblowing, the evaluation of institutional integrity. 3 trainings were held for about 220 customs collaborators.
- The training center of the **State Fiscal Service**, the Module "Measures to Ensure Institutional and Professional Integrity" included the integrity policies and the institutional integrity evaluation mechanism. 3 trainings were held for about 260 tax officials.
- The training center of the **National Penitentiary Authority**, the "Integrity and Anti-Corruption Standards" module included the legal regime of gifts, conflicts of interest, undue influences, whistleblowing and liability for lack of integrity. 2 trainings were held for about 45 people.

In the same way, training activities were carried out for the employees of the **Protection and State Guard Service**, **ÎS Moldelectrica**, the **Union of Car Drivers** and the **Center for Continuous Training in the Electoral Field**, etc.



As part of the **Summer School project "YOUTH-Can Fight Against Corruption!"**, implemented by AO CRT DACIA, a training activity was carried out for a group of 50 young people at the Vadul lui Vodă rest camp. The youth were familiarized with the mission and competences of the NAC, as well as the anti-corruption education activities carried out by the anti-corruption volunteers of the NAC.

Anti-corruption education, in the press:

- The socio-cultural project "The art of Remaining Honest" ended its tour in the south of the country, in Leova
 - NAC continued the anti-corruption training this week. They took place in Leova, Soroca and Chisinau
 - NAC officers, visiting S.E. Moldelectrica
 - Around 250 public agents were instructed by the NAC at Chișinău and Șoldănești
 - More than 200 customs officials participate during the month of July in training activities under the generic "Responsibilities of the State Representative on Measures Aimed to Ensure Professional Integrity in a Public Institution", which are carried out online
 - Anti-corruption trainings at Chișinău, Vadul lui Vodă and Fălești this week
 - The officers of the State Protection and Guard Service attended an institutional and professional integrity course, supported by experts from the National Anticorruption Center
 - 532 judges and members of the judicial system reaffirmed their commitment to the principles of integrity in the 14 workshops, launched as part of the national information and awareness-raising campaign "Integrity: Precondition for Preventing Corruption Risks" throughout this year
- Anticorruption Education Directorate of the NAC has organized trainings at Chișinău and Fălești, this week



5323 materials were registered by the NAC Chancellery.



National Anticorruption Hotline received 173 calls.