



# NATIONAL ANTICORRUPTION CENTER

## Newsletter- Aprilie 2023

### COMBATING CORRUPTION AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION



**Files:** 30 criminal cases, of which 23, started on the basis of operative information and a scheme regarding acts of systemic corruption - documented and annihilated, on acts of active corruption, passive corruption, influence peddling, abuse of office, fraud and embezzlement of foreign assets through the prism of acts of corruption.



**Subjects investigated:** head of section within the PSA, the jurist within Penitentiary no. 3 Leova (in collaboration with the National Penitentiary Administration), 1 lawyer, 20 NAFS inspectors, 2 economic agents and 4 individuals involved in acts of corruption, including 1 citizen of Ukraine.

**Domain:** public administration, finance, justice, law, public services

**Damage established:** 7,085,800 lei, monetary means in various amounts to avoid physical and identity control of transported products

**Detentions:** 1 person detained and 1 arrested

**Finality:** 2 criminal cases submitted to the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office with the proposal to be sent to court

#### Combating corruption in the press:

- Press conference held by the Director of the National Anticorruption Center, Iulian Rusu, and the director of the Food Safety Agency, Radu Musteata
- NAFS Giurgiulesti file: Seven people were placed under house arrest and four - under judicial control
- Judge, referred to justice for including incomplete or false data in the declaration of assets and personal interests
- A man, detained at the beginning of the year by the NAC, was sent to court for influence peddling.

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- A former policeman, investigated by the NAC, referred to justice for committing two episodes of influence peddling.
- The ex-president of the Anenii Noi district, referred to justice for exercising his duties in the public sector in a situation of conflict of interest
- The criminal case, initiated on the fact of the illicit enrichment of a Member of



Parliament, reached the magistrates' table

- Eight searches and four officials from Hîncești investigated, after allegedly claiming sums of money for the final reception of real estate, including in Ialoveni

- The young man, accused of robbing two girls of almost 500,000 lei, who allegedly belonged to a political group, referred to justice
- Two police officers from Cahul sentenced to 5 years in prison for corruption actions
- Six people were detained by the NAC, in Edineț and Dondușeni, in cases related to the bribe received for the issuance of driver's licenses
- Cahul Court of Appeal upheld the conclusions of the investigating judge regarding the 11 employees of the National Food Safety Agency, detained in Giurgiulești
- Man sentenced to 1 year in prison for influence peddling
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- 200 cases of corruption were documented by the NAC, in less than a month, at the National Food Safety Agency Inspection Post, at the Leușeni-Albita border
- A man, investigated by the NAC for influence peddling, sent to the court

- A citizen of Ukraine, sentenced to 3 years in prison for bribing a border policeman
- Bălți Court of Appeal: One of the accused in the bribery case for issuing driving licenses in Bălți returns to prison
- Iulian Rusu, NAC director, participation in the show Puncte de Reflecție (Vocea Bessarabiei) with Valentina Ursu



## CRIMINAL ASSETS RECOVERY AGENCY

**Delegations:** 62 delegations, ordered within 42 criminal cases, regarding 83 subjects and 93 delegations were executed, ordered within 57 criminal cases, regarding 145 subjects. On 30.04.2023, the Agency had 138 delegations in the procedure, ordered within 105 criminal cases regarding 209 subjects.

**Seizures:** 1 297 523 991,86 lei

**Assets, management and disposal:** The evaluation of 111 criminal assets (8914 immovable assets and 20 movable assets) was carried out, worth total of 34 421 294,85 MDL.

At the same time, the administration was ensured of the seized funds, 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 04/30/2023, amounts to: 205,927.05 MDL.



### Criminal Assets Recovery Agency, in the press:

- [NAC synthesis: CARA applied seizures worth over 1 billion lei on assets and assets located abroad in the Bank Fraud file](#)
- [An anti-corruption and criminal asset recovery workshop hosted by the NAC on April 3-5](#)
- [CARA of NAC: assets worth 5 million lei, seized last week](#)
- [NAC synthesis: 244 million lei, previously seized by CARA and prosecutors, reached the state's treasury accounts](#)
- [CARA: seizures of assets worth over 1.6 million lei were confirmed](#)





## INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND INTEGRITY TESTING

- Timofei Moşneaga" Republican Clinical Hospital
- Monuments Inspection Agency
- Sectoral evaluation of 12 road entities
- 7 public entities, monitored
- 443 integrity records issued

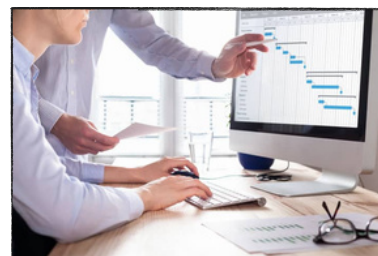


## LEGISLATION AND ANTI-CORRUPTION EXPERTISE

From the beginning of the year until 30.04.2023, 383 projects were approved and expertized (taking into account 11 projects remaining under examination from 2022). Of these: 169 projects were submitted for approval and the necessary recommendations were drawn up, and expert reports were drawn up on 214 projects.



Out of the total number of 214 expertized projects, 62 are draft laws, 143 draft Government decisions, one draft Parliament decision, and 8 are draft departmental acts. Following the anti-corruption expertise, the following were identified in the draft normative acts:



- 1090 risk factors (the most widespread: ambiguous wording that admits abusive interpretations (13.85%); lack/ambiguity of administrative procedures (16.15%); duties that admit abusive interpretations and derogations (10.18%); competition of norms of law (9.17%))
- 1137 corruption risks (the most widespread: abuse of office (14.78%); excess of duties (6.16%); conflict of interest and/or favoritism (11.61%); undue influence (8.18 %), influence peddling (6.33%)).



### EXPERT REPORTS

- Draft decision of the Government for the approval of the Regulation for the selection of candidates for the position of member of the board of state-owned enterprises and commercial companies with majority state capital and their remuneration conditions
- Draft law for the modification of some normative acts (Law no. 1456/1993; Law no. 1409/1997; Law no. 382/1999; Law no. 552/2001, etc.)
- Draft law for the amendment of some normative acts (Law no. 183/2012, Law no. 155/2011 and Law no. 158/2008) (Competition Law)
- Draft law for the amendment of some normative acts (Law no. 179/2008, Law no. 121/2018, Law no. 149/2012 and Law no. 121/2007) (aspects regarding public-private partnership and public property management)
- Draft law for the amendment of some normative acts (Law no. 1422/1997 and Law no. 160/2011)
- Draft Government decision regarding the reorganization by transformation of the State Enterprise "Republican Center for the Improvement and Reproduction of Animals" and the operation of the changes in some Government Decisions
- Draft law for the modification of some normative acts (Law no. 440/2001 - art. 6; Law no. 8/2015 - art. 3, 6 and Law no. 182/2010 - art. 12)
- Draft decision of the Government for the approval of the Regulation on the operation of the repair and development fund of the association of co-owners in the condominium
- Draft law of the Land Code





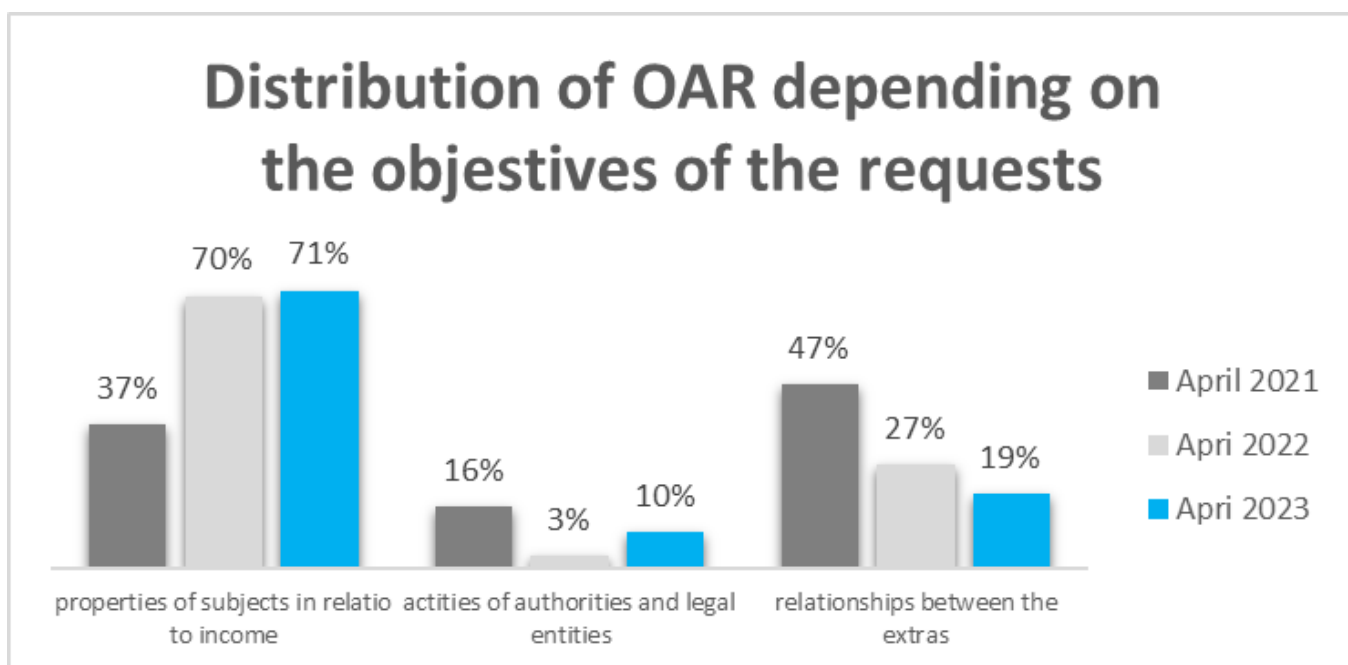
### ANALYTICAL ACTIVITY

21 operational analysis reports were developed. Out of all, in 10 cases, the operational analysis was ordered in connection with the examination of 7 criminal cases instrumented by the NAC and the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office regarding the crimes of passive corruption and abuse of office. In another 9 cases, the operational analysis intervened in support of the investigations carried out by the NAC on alleged acts of corruption and related to corruption.

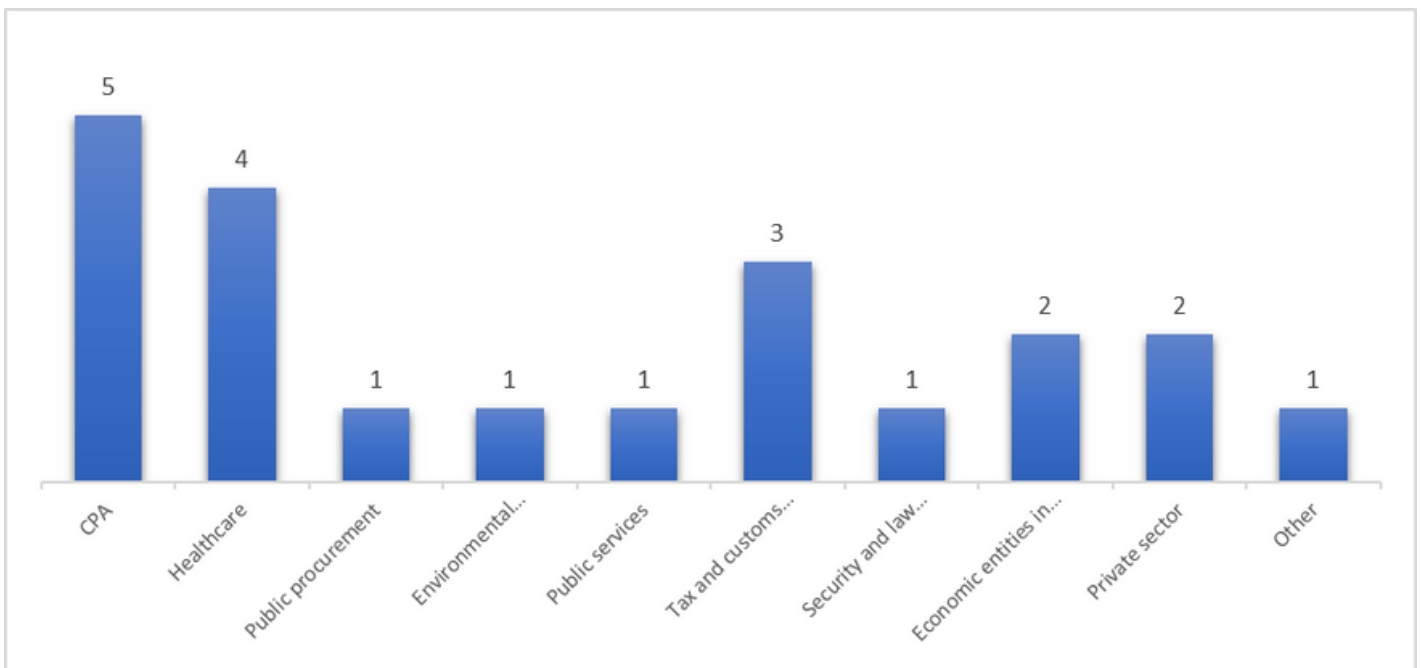
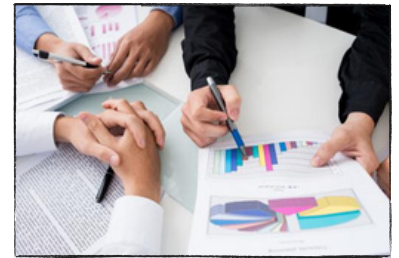
In the remaining 2 cases, the operational analysis was carried out in relation to the NAC's attributions in the area of prevention, especially the assessment of institutional integrity, etc.

71% of the prepared reports concerned the analysis of the assets owned by the persons concerned, income and sources of income, as well as personal interests in relation to the field of competence in which the subjects carried out their activity.

The operational analyzes also referred to the activity of public authorities and legal entities (10% of the total), especially the public procurement sector, as well as the analysis of relationships/connections (economic, financial, personal, etc.) between the extra persons (19%).



At the same time, the operational analyzes referred to the persons involved in the central public administration (5 reports), the field of health protection (4 reports). The areas of fiscal and customs administration (3), environmental protection (1), public procurement (1), public and private economic entities (4), etc., were also targeted.



## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

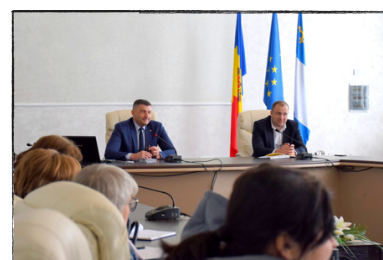
### International cooperation, in the press:

- [NAC is hosting a team of experts in the context of the 5th official monitoring round of the AAP Istanbul sub-regional peer review program](#)



### ANTI-CORRUPTION EDUCATION

- Information and awareness raising campaign " 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 (municipality of Chisinau, Balti, Orhei, Anenii Noi and Rezina districts). 7 training activities were carried out for about 290 people.
- Information and awareness campaign with the generic "Integrity: Credibility in the Educational System", the NAC in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Research, for managers and teaching staff of educational institutions, students and parents (municipality of Chisinau, Balti, Orhei, Anenii Noi and Rezina districts). 5 activities were carried out for about 500 people.
- NAC information and awareness raising campaign in partnership with the Moldovan Football Federation with the generic "Prevention of Manipulation of Sports Events and Fixed Bets," for the referees and players of the FC football sports club Balti. Training activities were carried out for 30 people.
- 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 (Balti, Orhei, Anenii Noi and Rezina). 4 activities were carried out for about 200 people.
- Information and awareness raising campaign "Integrity: a Precondition for preventing the risks of Corruption", NAC-AAIJ-ANI, for exponents of the justice sector (judiciary in Anenii Noi). 2 activities were carried out for 30 people.
- Information and awareness campaign with the generic "No corruption at the BAC exams", NAC-MER-ANACE (LT Ion Luca Caragiale, Orhei; LT Mihai Eminescu, Anenii Noi; LT





Andrei Straistu, Anenii Noi; LT Socrate, Chisinau municipality; LT Mihai Eminescu, Balti; LT Olipm, Rezina; LT Alexandru cel Bun, Rezina). 7 activities were carried out for 250 students.

- Study visit to the NAC for a group of 38 students of the "Mihai Eminescu" Theoretical High School from Ungheni municipality. The students were familiarized with the competences of the NAC, the prevention mechanisms, the phenomenon of corruption and the activities carried out by the Anticorruption Education Directorate together with the anti-corruption volunteers of the NAC. The students visited the Guard Unit, the Detention Center of the NAC. They also saw the presentation of the special means of the Escorts and Special Actions Service.
- Organization and conduct of the competition for the selection of anti-corruption volunteers of the NAC. 26 young people participated in the competition.



### Anti-corruption education, in the press:

- Integrity is the basic element of becoming a successful person
- About 600 people from Chisinau, Orhei and Anenii Noi, instructed by the NAC
- The campaign "Integrity: Credibility in the Educational System" reached the "Mihail Berezovschi" High School in the capital
- A group of students from the "Mihai Eminescu" Theoretical High School in Ungheni visited the National Anticorruption Center
- Mayors, economic agents and construction officials from Rezina participated in an anti-corruption lecture as part of the "Build with Integrity" campaign
- Anticorruption Education Directorate of the NAC continued the training activities this week, which were attended by about 400 people from Rezina



5184 materials were registered in the NAC Chancellery



National Anticorruption Hotline received 138 calls