

# **A person was detained by the NAC and the APO after allegedly demanding \$400,000 to influence public figures in order to obtain a favourable decision in a criminal case**



Officers of the National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC), together with prosecutors from the Anti-corruption Prosecutor's Office (APO), conducted searches on March 29, 2026 in a criminal case initiated on acts of influence peddling. A person was detained for 72 hours, being suspected of having promised to obtain a favourable decision in a criminal case.

According to the materials administered in the criminal case, the suspect, claiming to have influence over employees of law enforcement institutions, allegedly demanded the sum of 400,000 dollars in exchange for obtaining a favourable decision for persons targeted in a criminal case. As part of the documentation of the case, under the control of the officers of the National Anti-corruption Centre, a tranche of the alleged amount was transferred, and the person was detained.

Further, criminal investigation actions are being carried out on the case to establish all the circumstances and identify all the persons involved.

We remind that every person benefits from the presumption of innocence until a final court decision is rendered.