

NAC Synthesis: Corruption cases in customs and law, detentions, searches, seizures and freezing orders on assets worth over 6 million lei, applied by anti-corruption officers



Last week, the National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC) carried out several anti-corruption operations, during which employees of the Customs Service, including post managers and a broker, are being investigated in a passive corruption case, with amounts exceeding 1.1 million lei being seized. A lawyer allegedly demanded 65,000 euros to influence decisions in favor of some detainees. Other cases concern: bribery for the issuance of false medical documents, an officer detained for influence peddling, a former director accused of abuse of office and an attempted fraud when obtaining a driver's license. We note that, at the moment, 8 people, targeted in the Centre's files, are arrested and detained in penitentiary institutions. During the reporting period, the criminal investigation officers of the NAC forwarded 33 criminal cases to the prosecutors for resolution, with another 30 cases being initiated.

During the reporting period, the Chisinau Court, Buiucani headquarters, pronounced the sentence regarding a pedologist from the State Enterprise "The Institute of Design for Territory Organisation", who was incriminated with the commission of six episodes of passive corruption, being sentenced to 5 years of suspended imprisonment and fined with 250 thousand lei. At the same time, two other persons, investigated by the NAC and the AP for causing damages to SA "Banca de Economii" in particularly large proportions, were referred to justice.

The Criminal Assets Recovery Agency (CARA) of the NAC announces the application of seizures on illicit assets worth approximately 4.6 million lei. These were frozen based on the delegations of the Prosecutor's Office for Combating Organized Crime and Special Cases (PCCOCS), the National Investigation Inspectorate (INI), the General Inspectorate of Border Police (IGPF) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Falesti Police Inspectorate. These include 3 means of transport, 2 residential and one non-residential premises, 2 residential buildings and a building plot, 6 agricultural plots and 32 cryptocurrencies. At the same time, the CARA issued a freezing order on assets worth over 1.8 million lei.

In the field of corruption prevention, the Legislation Directorate finalized and submitted to the authors 15 expert reports and 3 opinions on draft normative acts, last week. At the same time, 9 anti-corruption trainings were organized for about 1800 people, 4 operational analyses were conducted and 166 integrity records were released. The National Anti-corruption Hotline received 44 calls, and 1,780 materials were registered in the NAC Chancellery.