

Synthesis: Searches, hearings and detentions in cases of illegal financing of political parties, assets worth over 11 million lei seized and a cooperation protocol signed with the Romanian DGA



The National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC) has reported several activities carried out last week, including searches, hearings and detentions in cases related to the illegal financing of political parties, falsification of declarations and financial reports, as well as activities to strengthen bilateral relations with counterparts in Romania, a cooperation protocol in the field of preventing and combating corruption being signed in Bucharest by the director of the NAC, Alexandr Pînzari, and the head of the DGA, Ovidiu-Ciprian Antohe. During the reference period, searches were carried out at the residence of a deputy mayor of the municipality. Orhei in a case of illegal financing of the electoral campaign for the position of governor of Gagauzia, and later, in the same case, the governor of the autonomy was also detained, placed, on Friday, in preventive arrest for 20 days.

In the "Banca de Economii" case, investigated by the NAC and anti-corruption prosecutors, the Chisinau Court, Buiucani headquarters, found the administrator of a company guilty of committing the crime of money laundering in particularly large proportions, sentencing him to 6 years in prison with execution and ordered him to pay 5.4 million lei. We note that at the moment, 11 people, targeted in the Centre's cases, are arrested and detained in penitentiary institutions in the municipalities of Chisinau and Balti. During the reporting period, the criminal investigation officers of the NAC submitted 17 criminal cases to the prosecutors for resolution, with another 12 cases being initiated.

Also, the Criminal Asset Recovery Agency (CARA) of the NAC announces the seizure of 15 assets worth over 11 million lei last week, based on the delegations of the General Directorate for Criminal Investigation (DGUP) of the NAC, the Prosecutor's Office for Combating Organized Crime and Special Cases (PCCOCS), the Prosecutor's Office of Balti Municipality, and the General Inspectorate of Police (IGP) of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. These include 4 means of transportation, 5 agricultural lands and one for construction, a residential building and 4 residential premises. The assets were seized in a case of active corruption, abuse of power, money laundering, fraud and money laundering. At the same time, previously applied seizures totalling about 250 thousand lei were confirmed by court decisions.

In the field of corruption prevention, the Legislation Directorate finalized and submitted to the authors 17 expert reports and 3 opinions on draft normative acts, last week. During the mentioned period, 6 anti-corruption trainings were organized for over 320 people in the Dondu?eni and Cimi?lia districts as part of the information campaign "I Decide with Integrity - I Vote with Accountability" to promote integrity in the electoral process. The NAC notifies the initiation of 4 operational analyses, the issuance of 107 integrity records, the reception of 49 calls to the National Anti-corruption Hotline and the registration of 1583 materials in the Centre's Chancellery.