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Background

In its Evaluation Report from 1st and 2nd Evaluation Rounds on Ukraine, GRECO emphasised the necessity to specialise the law enforcement bodies in corruption cases, to strengthen interagency coordination between them and to provide them with adequate specialised training in detection and investigation of corruption. Recommendations formulated in the framework of Istanbul Action Plan also emphasised the need in enhancing the specialisation of law enforcement in corruption matters. International legal instruments, such as the Council of Europe Criminal Law Convention on Corruption and the UN Convention against corruption (UNCAC), provide for a large number of measures aimed at effectively combating corruption. They imply in particular the establishment of specialised law enforcement bodies/units, independent from external pressure, with adequate resources and personnel trained on a systematic and permanent basis, able to cooperate with other national law enforcement authorities (Art. 20, 21 of the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption of the Council of Europe; Art. 36, 38 of UNCAC etc). Moreover, international standards also require to provide an effective and appropriate protection of victims and witnesses (Art. 22 of the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption; Art. 32 and 37 of UNCAC).

Anti-corruption Bureau and its regional structures have been recently created in the framework of the Main Department on Combating Organised Crime of the Ministry of Interior. Its staff requires training on a permanent basis as well as exchange of good practices.

Purpose

The main objective of this training is to improve capacities of Ministry of Interior officials in detecting and investigating corruption related offences. This training will also be an opportunity to discuss cooperation and coordination between various law enforcement agencies handling corruption cases in Ukraine and to share international good practices.

Programme

9.00-9.30 **Registration of participants**

PLENARY SESSION

09.30-09.50 **Opening session**

- Mr Volodymyr Bedrykivskyi, First Deputy Minister of Interior of Ukraine, Head of the Main Department on Combating Organised Crime
- Ms Natalia Voutova, Deputy Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe for the co-ordination of co-operation programmes with Ukraine

09.50-10.45 **Detection and Investigation of corruption cases: introduction to the issue**

- Legal basis and competence of MoI bodies – representative of the MoI of Ukraine (15 min)
- Specialisation of law enforcement authorities in the fight against corruption. European and international standards and best practices – Ms Violeta Zeppa-Priedite, Head of Legal Division, Corruption Prevention and Combating Bureau, Latvia, Council of Europe expert (15 min)
- Initial and in-service training of the Ministry of Interior officials on combating corruption – representative of MoI educational centres (10 min)

Question and Answer session (15 min)

10.45-11.25 **DETECTION OF CORRUPTION**

- Presentation of the training manual for police officials on "Detection of Corruption Offences: work methods" – representative of the Anti-corruption Bureau, Main Department on Combating Organised Crime, MoI of Ukraine (10 min)
- Expert comments on the training manual for police officials on "Detection of Corruption Offences: work methods" - Mr Roman Chlapak, UPAC Team Leader (10 min)
- Registration of corruption offences – representative of IT Department, MoI of Ukraine (10 min)

Question and Answer session (10 min)

11.25-11.40 **Coffee break**

11.40-13.15 **INVESTIGATION OF CORRUPTION**

- Investigations of corruption offences by MoI investigators - representative of the Main Investigative Department, MoI of Ukraine (10 min)
- Use of special investigative techniques – Mr Davor Pesic, Senior Inspector, Head of Undercover Unit, Criminal Police Directorate, Ministry of Interior, Slovenia, Council of Europe expert (15 min)
- Financial investigations in corruption cases – Mr Gary Leong, Senior Lawyer/Barrister, Serious Fraud Office, UK, Council of Europe expert (15 min)

Question and Answer session (15 min)

- Confidentiality and protection of victims and witnesses – Mr Eugenio Selvaggi, Public Prosecutor, General Prosecutor's office of the Supreme Court, Italy, Council of Europe expert (15 min)
- Investigation of corruption related offences, the impact of the new Criminal Procedure Code of Ukraine - Mr David Lewis, Resident Legal Advisor, Head of Project on Reform of Criminal Justice in Ukraine, US Department of Justice, OPDAT (10 min)

Question and Answer session (15 min)

13.15 – 14.25 **Lunch**

14.25-15.25

INTERAGENCY COOPERATION AND COORDINATION

- Interaction and cooperation between *Prokuratura* and MoI bodies in investigating corruption offences - representative of the General Prosecutor's Office of Ukraine (15 min)
- Supervision of operational units of the MoI bodies by *Prokuratura* – representative of Supervision Department, General Prosecutor's Office of Ukraine (15 min)
- Presentation of the national court practice related to corruption offences – national judge (15 min)

Question and Answer session (15 min)

15.25-17.10

CASE-STUDY

Presentation and work on case study (1h45 min)

17.10-17.25 **Coffee break**

17.25 – 18.10 **Discussion on results of case study (45 min)**

18.10-18.25

PLENARY SESSION

- Conclusions
- Closing of the seminar

18.25

Dinner

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