

# OC 2 – Pattern of Organized Crime In Kosovo

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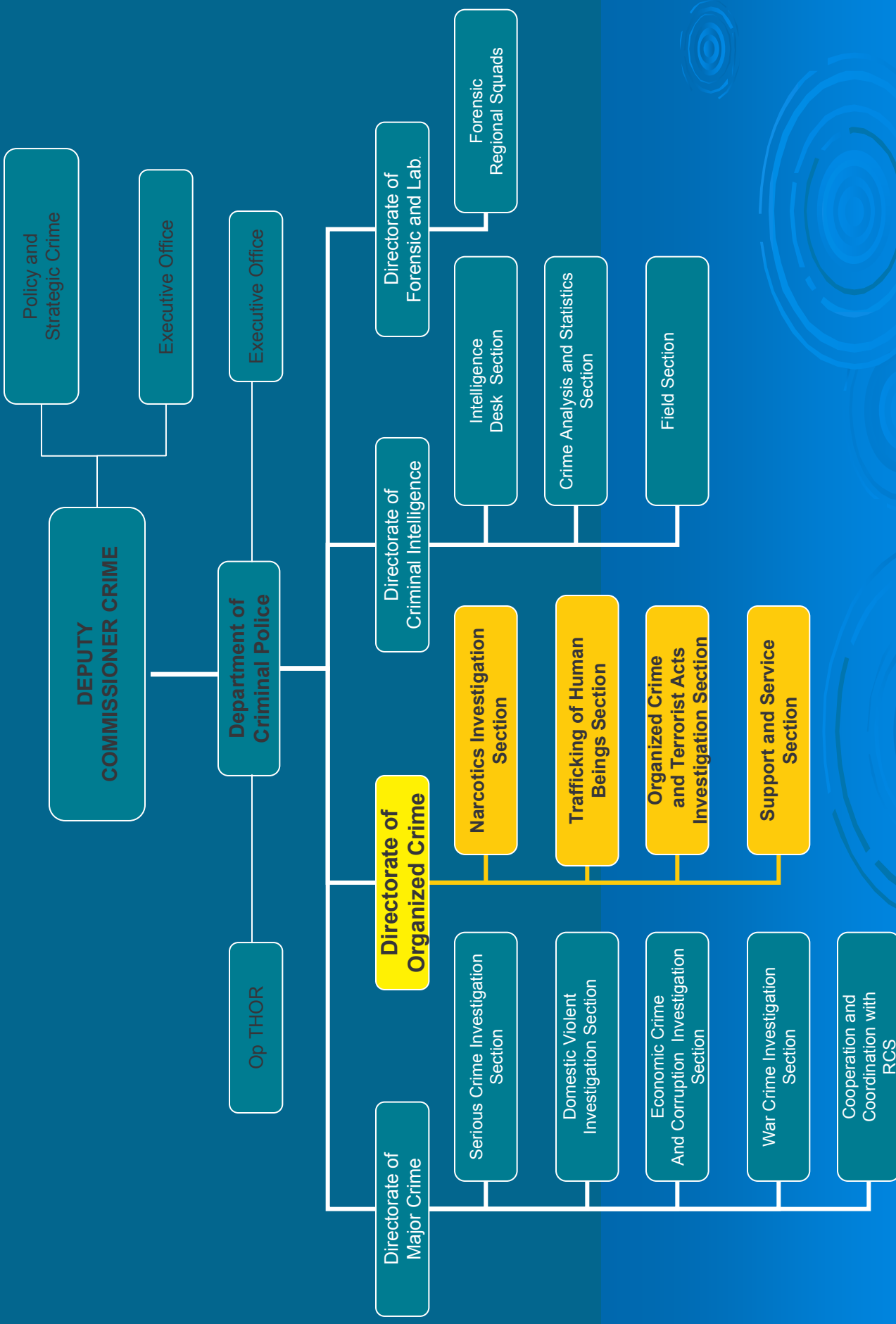
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# Directorate that is fighting Organized Crime in Kosovo

Directorate of Organized Crime



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# Organized Crime in Kosovo

- Drugs Smuggling & Trafficking
- Weapon Smuggling
- Trafficking & Prostitution of human beings
- Economic Crime
  - Counterfeit money
- Money Laundering

# Drugs a problem in Kosovo?

- user problem
  - -cannabis
  - -heroin
- cultivation problem of cannabis
- smuggling, storage and transit problem of heroin and cocaine, also sample of amphetamine found
- precursor problem (list of controlled chemicals) in relation to heroin production in Kosovo and/or elsewhere (10/2003 22 tons of AH (Anhydridin) seized in Serbia, partly on its way to Kosovo)
- 2/2004 7 tons of AH in Kosovo
- production problem of heroin

# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Drugs smuggling & trafficking



## “Kosovo” part of the “Balkan route”

- Transit routes
  - via Albania/ Greece to Italy, Western Europe and Scandinavia
  - via Bosnia-Herzegovina/ Serbia to Hungary, Western Europe and Scandinavia

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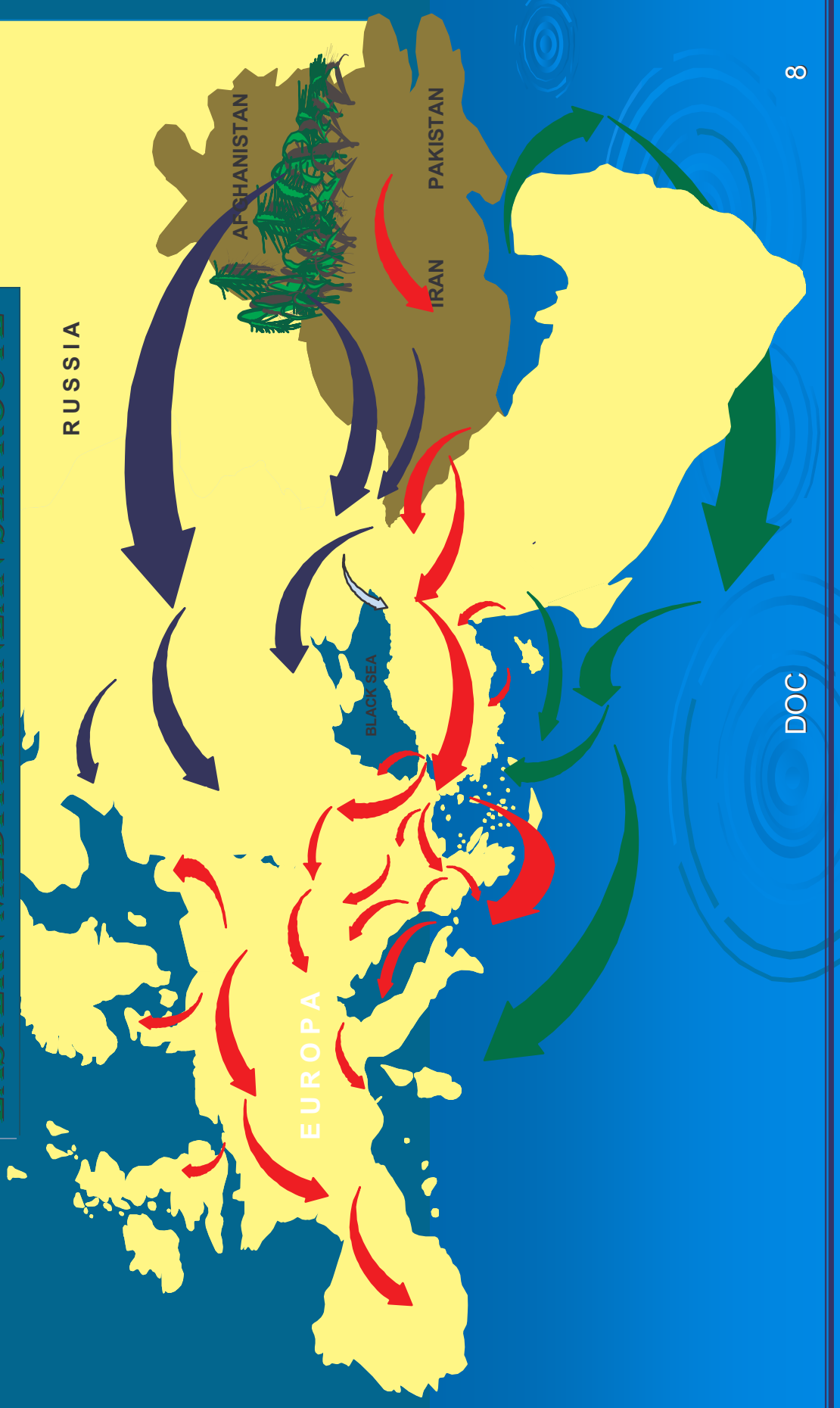
## Drugs smuggling & trafficking



## “Kosovo” part of the “Balkan route”

- Destination Consumer Market
- Western Europe and Scandinavia
- High demand in these countries due to a large quantity of drug abusers
- Reasons: High profit; ties to destination countries

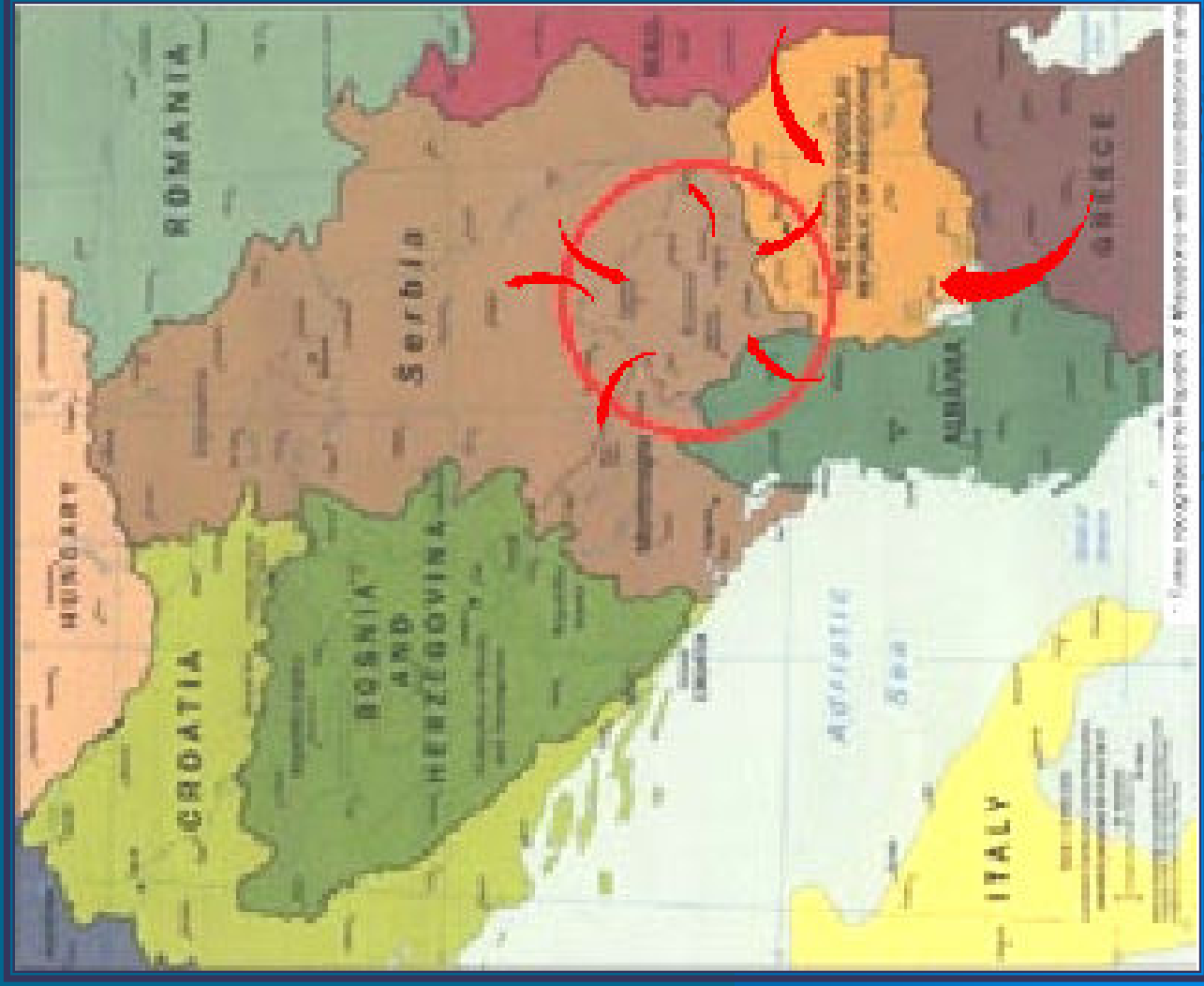
**NORTHERN BLACKSEA ROUTE**  
**BALKAN ROUTE**  
**EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN SEA ROUTE**



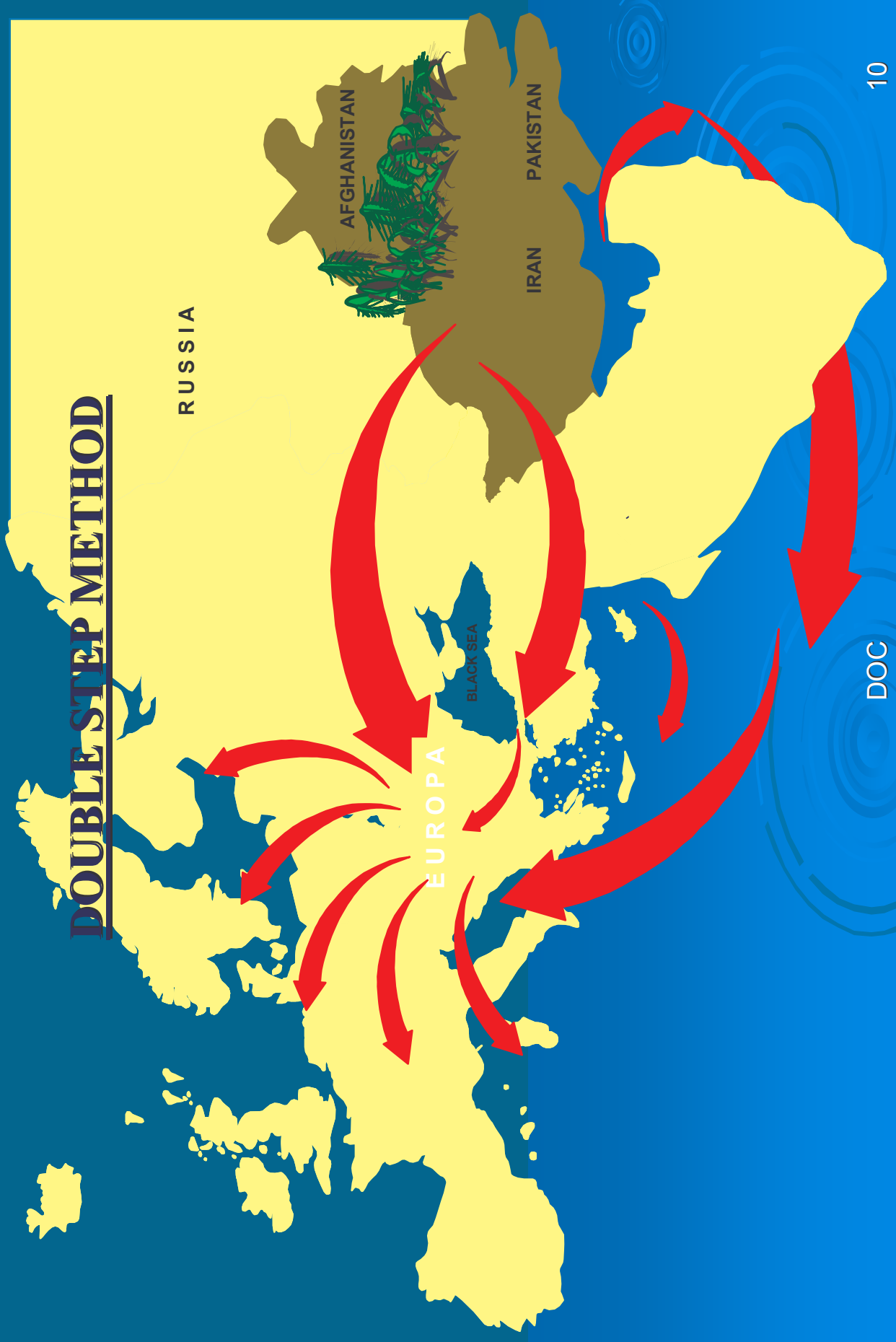
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# KOSOVO IS A TRANSIT REGION ON THE BALKAN ROUTE



# DOUBLE STEP METHOD

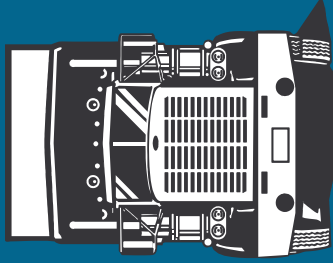


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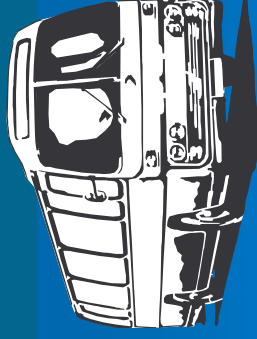
**PRIVATE CARS**

**TRANSPORT**



**COMPANIES**

**BUS COMPANIES**



**ARE USED FOR TRANSIT DRUG TRAFFICKING  
BY THE ORGANIZATIONS**

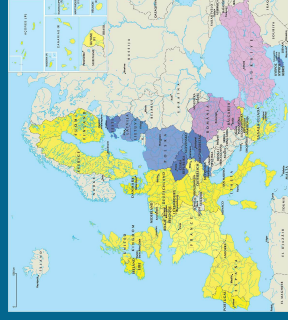
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# K-ALBANIAN DRUG ORGANIZATIONS' STRUCTURE EMERGES AS FAMILY ORGANIZATION



# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Drugs smuggling & trafficking



## Three categories of drug smuggling and trafficking process

- Source / Production
- Transit Route
- Destination Consumer Market

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## Three categories of drug smuggling and trafficking process

- Source / Production
- So-called “Golden Crescent” (Afghanistan, e.g. border regions)
- Turkey (laboratories)

# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Drugs smuggling & trafficking



## Control by ethnic groups / clans / families?

- In the majority of cases
  - Demographic base of Kosovo
  - pre-dominance of K-Albanian clan system
  - Structure of Albanian groups
- Previous intelligence shows links to other ethnic groups

# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Weapons smuggling & trafficking



### Main Purposes

- Extremist activities in Kosovo and the Balkan
  - Seizure of larger shipments of firearms and ammunition
  - Seizure of military hardware; land mines and rocket propelled grenades



# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Weapons smuggling & trafficking



## Main Purposes

- Private market
- Home security
- Criminality

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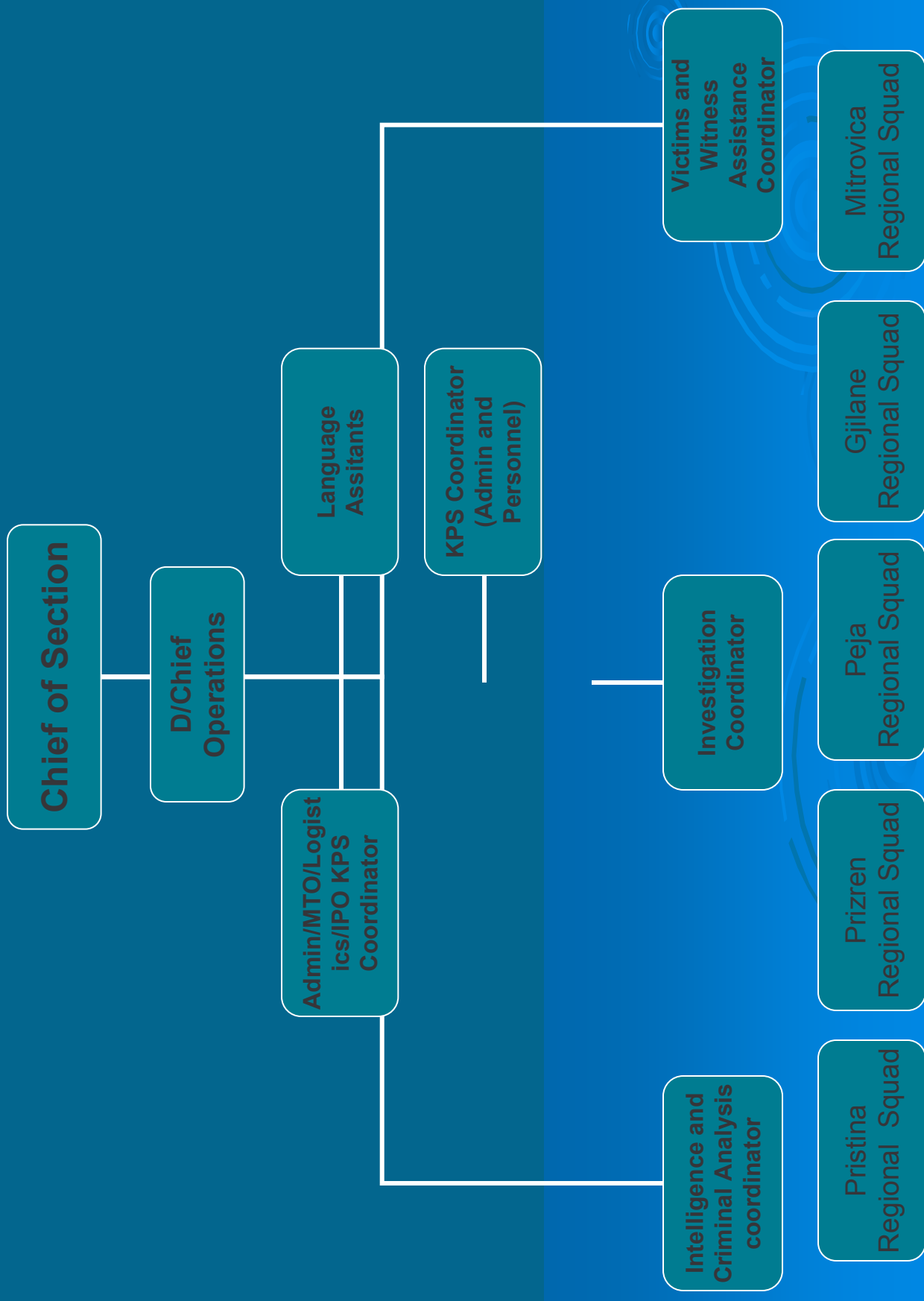
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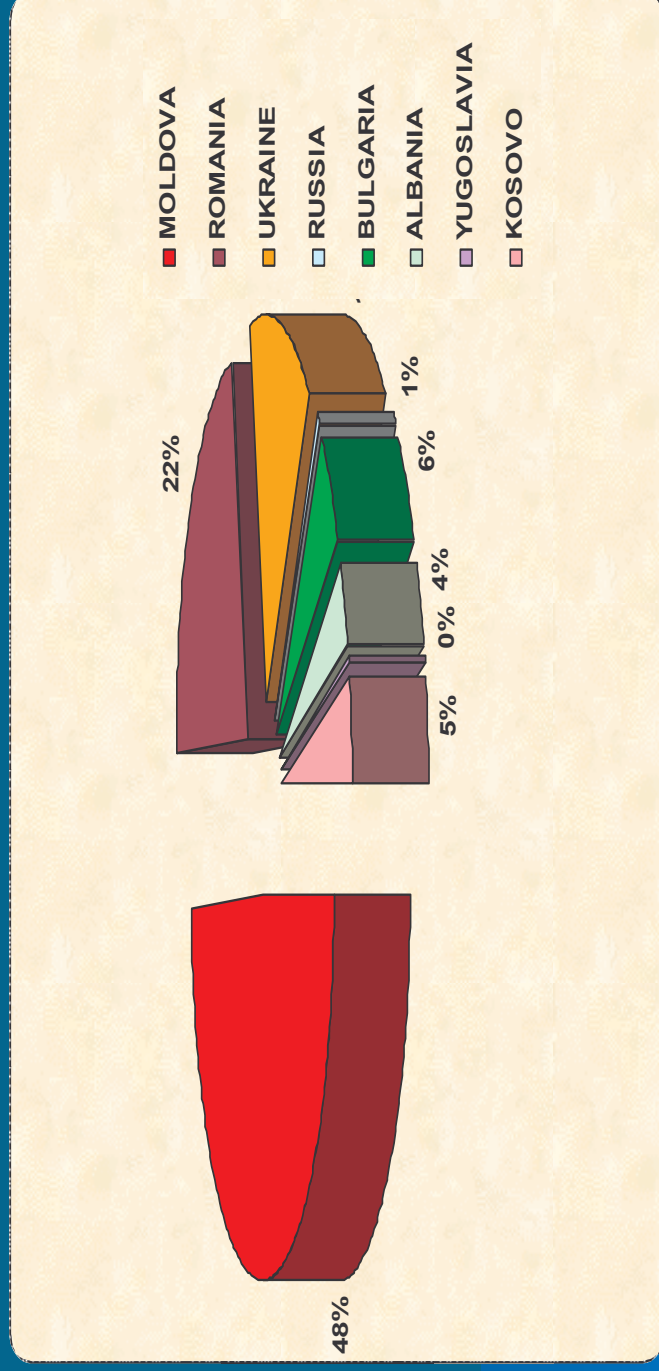
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# Trafficking of Human Being Section



# Victim's Profile

## COUNTRY OF ORIGIN



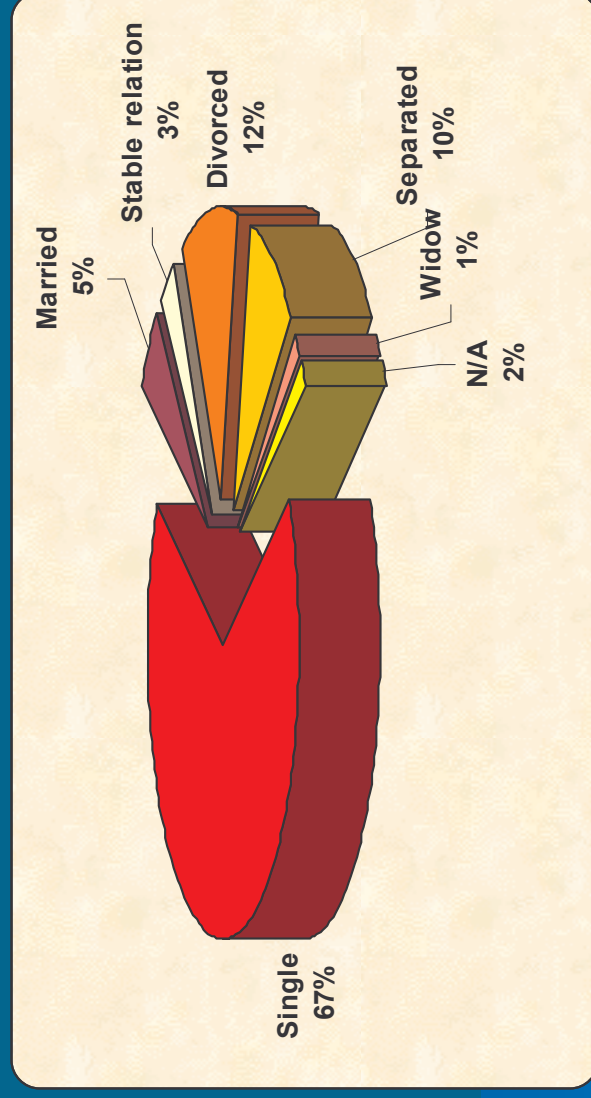
*Trafficked is determined by different factors including unemployment, lack of opportunities, lack of realistic information in the country of origin, civil and ethnic violence, the absence of legal instruments, corruption..*

# Victim's Profile

## Family/marital status

**THE VICTIMS ARE:**

- SINGLE (67 %),
- DIVORCED (12 %)
- SEPARATED (10%).



**A RELEVANT PART (36%) OF THEM HAS FROM 1 TO 3 CHILDREN.**

- 82 % of mothers raise their children alone

- 60% HAD INCOMES BELOW 40 EURO / PER MONTH IN THEIR HOME COUNTRIES,
- 26% REPORTED HAVING DIFFICULT TO EXTREMELY DIFFICULT RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEIR PARENTS AND/OR PARTNER,
- 12.5% HAD EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ABUSE WITHIN THEIR FAMILIES.

# Way into Kosovo

**There are two means for women to enter in Kosovo**

- By being illegally smuggled through non-controlled Border Point, without carrying any official document;
- By coming across a controlled Border Point, either carrying false documentations or proper documentations.

**Entry points to Kosovo**

- Serbia 60%
- Macedonia 20%
- Montenegro 5%
- Albania 5%
- By Air. 10%

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# Reasons and Methods of Recruitment

## Reason for going abroad

- To find a job 83%
- Was forced 5%
- Relative/Friend visit 6%
- Tourism 3%
- Unknown 3%

## Relation with the Recruiter

- None 35%
- Acquaintance 46%
- Friend 6%
- Relative 2%
- Unknown 3%
- Boyfriend 4%
- Neighbor/Family friend 3%
- Husband 1%

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## Recruiting Methods

- False Job promise 79%
- Kidnapping 8%
- False travel arrangements 8%
- False invitation abroad 3%
- False marriage promise 1%
- Unknown 1%

## Gender of the Recruiter

- Female 50%
- Male 42%
- Both 4%
- Unknown 4%

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# Way out of Trafficking and Rescue

- 64% of the victims have been rescued during police raids on bars and nightclubs, which operate as brothels.
- An increased number of victims (34%) managed to escape and seek help.
- On several occasions the victim was allowed, after several months in the same brothel, to leave and search for assistance to return home.



# Applicable law - Trafficking and Prostitution

- Provisional Criminal Code of Kosovo, Art. 139
- Law on Public Peace and Order, no. 13/81
- Law on Minor Offences, no. 23/79
- Other international instruments

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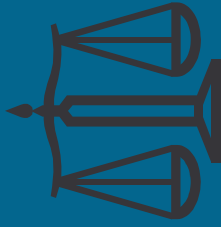
## Economic Crime

### Counterfeit money

Art. 244 Provisonal Criminal Code of Kosovo

#### Legal consequence

- Production: Imprisonment of 1 – 10 years
- Circulator: fine or Imprisonment up to 1 year



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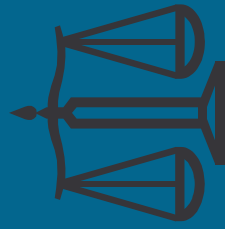
## Economic Crime

### - Counterfeit money -

- Increasing no. of counterfeited currency
  - 405 cases from Nov. 2002 to April 2004
- Quality of forgeries
  - Improvement from color photocopy to high professional standards ( print paper, hologram )
- Sources from Austria, Bulgaria

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## Economic Crime



### Money laundering

- UN-Regulation 2004/10 and 2004/2

## Definition

... passing / channeling of illegal assets into the legal financial circulation and concealment of it's illegal origin.

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## Economic Crime

### - Money Laundering -

#### Modus operandi:

- Placement
- Layering
- Integration

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## Economic Crime

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- Placement
  - Ill-gotten funds enter commercial financial systems

# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Economic Crime

### - Money Laundering -

#### Modus operandi:

- Layering
- After the funds are in the system they are moved from place to place to obscure their trail.

# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Economic Crime

### - Money Laundering -

#### Modus operandi:

- Integration
- Finally they are reintroduced into the economy as “clean” money.



# Pattern of Organized Crime

## Economic Crime

### - Money Laundering -

#### Methods:

- Currency exchanges
- Asset purchases with bulk money
- telegraphic transfer of funds

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## Economic Crime

### - Money Laundering -

#### Methods:

- Travel agencies
- Gambling in casinos
- Refining

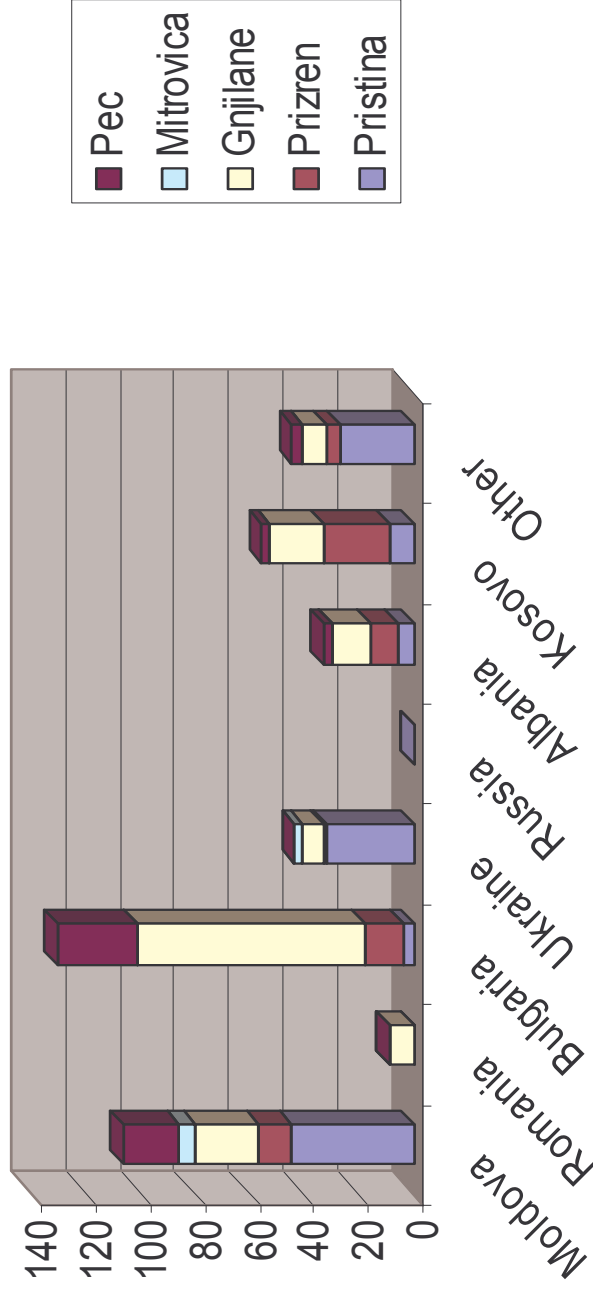
# The law

- **Organized crime – Article 274 (1 to 4) of Provisional Criminal Code Of KOSOVO**
- **Whoever commits a serious crime as part of organized group shall be punished by a fine of up to 250.000 euros and by imprisonment of at least seven years.**

# Some Statistics

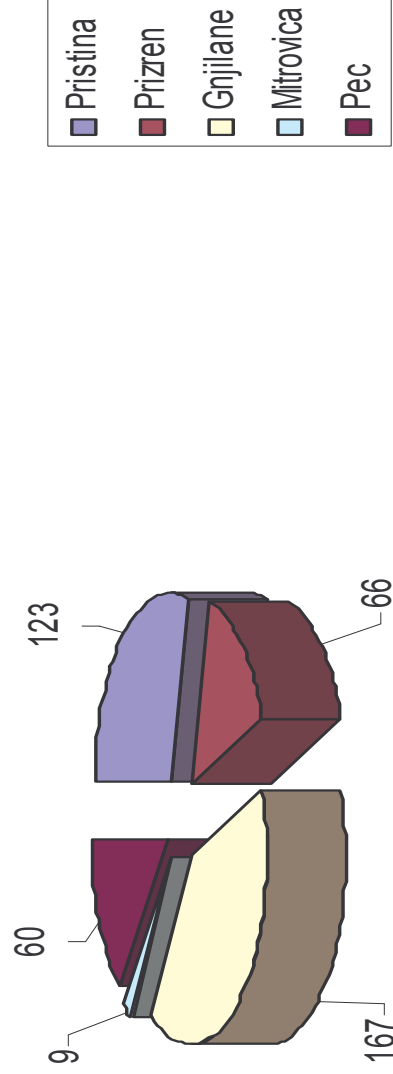
# Statistics

TPIU Data Base (Registration of Persons)



# Statistics

TPIU Data Base - Total of region



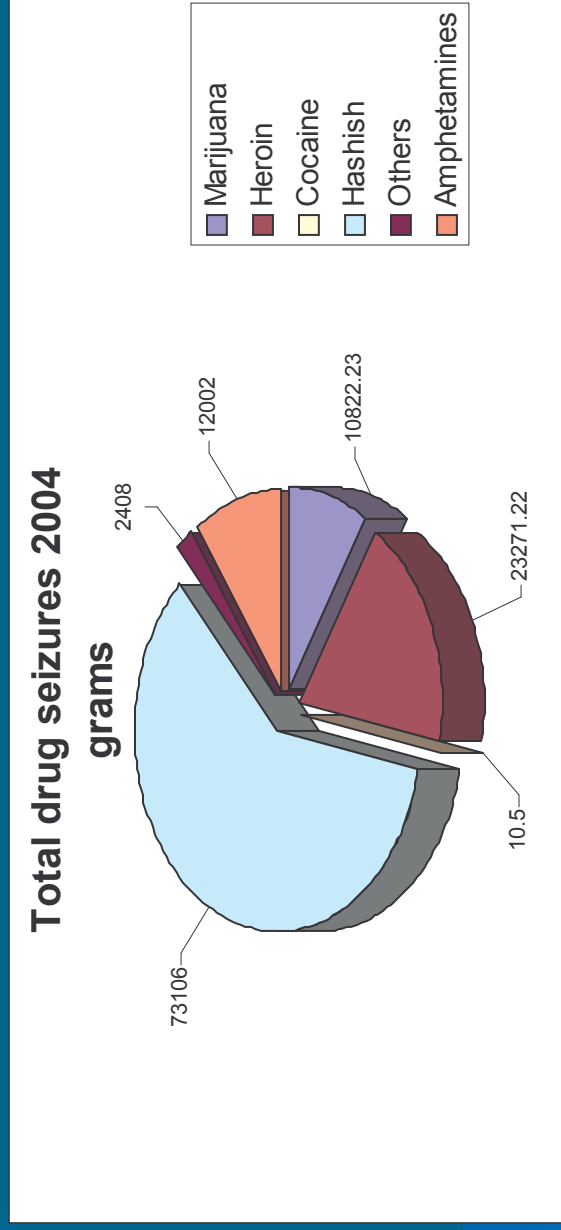
TYPE OF OFFENCE	NUMBER
Trafficking in Human Beings (art.139 PCCK from 1/4/2004)	56
Prostitution (art. 18, law on Public Peace and Order)	10
Falsifying documents (art.323, PCCK from 1/4/2004)	2
Facilitation of Prostitution (art.202 PCCK from 1/4/2004)	0
Illegal Border Crossing	4
Other	5
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>	<b>77</b>

# Total Drug Seizures in 2004

<b>Marijuana</b> (grams)	10,822.23
<i>Heroin</i> (grams)	23,271.22
<b>Cocaine</b> (grams)	10.5
<b>Opium</b> (Pieces)	79
<b>Hashish</b> (grams)	731.6
<b>Ecstasy</b> (Pieces)	56
<b>Marijuana Plants</b> (Pieces)	6,134.0
<b>Others</b> (grams)	2408
<b>Amphetamines</b> (grams)	12002



# Total Drug Seizures 2004



Thank you for attention

Questions?