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Follow-up Project against Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Ukraine

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- 1.1. On 4th of April the AML seminar for prosecutors from General Prosecution Office, regional prosecution offices and representatives of regional structures of LEA (50 participants) was organised. The project experts (Crown Prosecution Office, Assets Recovery Agency both from Belgium) focussed their presentations on EU and other international legal AML/CTF standards, international and local effective co-operation between state authorities, real case studies, sources and quality of evidence, confiscation and assets recovery. Seminar was organised with closed co-operation and support of SCFM and INTC.
- 1.2. On 9th to 10th of April AML, seminar was organised for representatives of regional banking supervision (NBU) and banking faculty students at Sumy Banking Training Centre/University. The project expert presentations mainly addressed the issue of risk based approach to combating ML at financial sector (III EU AML Directive), internal AML/CTF programmes at financial institutions and co-operation between financial sector and LEA. Seminar was organised with close co-operation and support of NBU Headquarters and Sumy Banking Academy. NBU expressed its interest in follow-up activities with project support in the future.
- 1.3. The LTA had a meeting with the SCFM management regarding the status of new draft AML Law. HE was informed that the final version of the draft, agreed with NBU was sent for interministerial consultations and should be presented to the Cabinet of Ministers soon. The LTA expressed readiness to produce another legal opinion on this draft. It was agreed that the SCFM would provide the text of the draft once interministerial consultations have been completed.
- 1.4. The following progress was made with regard to purchases:
 - AML/CTF handbook – completed. Distribution is organised by SCFM and INTC.
 - Conditioners for server compartments (regional offices) – contract pending the supplier's signature.
 - i2 software – completed.
 - IT equipment for the training centre and for regional offices – due to SCFM new request, contract was redrafted. Negotiations with suppliers in final stage.
 - Furniture for the training centre – contract signed.
2. Procurement Adviser has completed on-site missions to 9 regional offices regarding renovation processes and delivery of IT equipment. The mission report is under preparation.
3. The multiagency study visit to Poland for representatives of various AML training institutions as well as reps of LEA and financial regulators was organised from 14th to 18th April. The activity was first of all addressed to employees of training institutions or state officials involved in the elaboration of training strategies. During their visits to the Polish FIU, Financial Supervision Commission, European Institute of Public Administration - European Centre for Public Financial Management, a private bank and a private insurance company, the group received detailed information on practical approaches to AML/CTF training in public administrations and in the obliged institutions in private sector.
4. The following activities are planned for May 2008.

- AML Seminar for Non Banking Financial regulators.
- Finalizing of negotiations of contracts with companies selected by the COE Tenders Board- priority IT equipment for SCFM/INTC, renovations.
- Preparation of activities for June 2008 – (AML Seminar for Judges, AML Conference in Yalta, AML Seminar for Ministry of Interior and SBU)