

TI UKRAINE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2017

AND THE STATUS OF THEIR IMPLEMENTATION

RECOMMENDATION #1 ANTI-CORRUPTION COURT

Create an effective anti-corruption judiciary system engaging foreign specialists as active participants of the selection process of judges for these courts

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- Anti-Corruption Court is covered in the judicial reform
- President's draft law was submitted as late as December of 2017
- The draft law contradicts the recommendations of the Venice Commission

RECOMMENDATION #2 CONVICTING YANUKOVYCH'S TEAM



- Effective investigation of the cases concerning individuals on the «Yanukovych sanction list» and their reference to court
- Recovery of stolen assets

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The USD 1.5 billion of «Yanukovych's funds» was transferred to the national budget in violation of the law, the relevant court decision is still classified. Corruption-related cases concerning top officials of Yanukovych's regime were not referred to court, the investigation is ongoing for over three years now. The assets of individuals on the sanction list are being unfrozen abroad.

RECOMMENDATION #3 INVOLVING BUSINESS IN REFORMS



- Engage business in establishment of new transparent rules in the «society - authorities - business» triangle
- Deregulation and stable foreseeable conditions for conducting business

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- A number of positive steps has been made, such as development of the eHealth project, implementation of ProZorro. Sale in state enterprises
- Every step towards the state's openness to competitive business is met with attempts to annihilate its effect («Buy Ukrainian» as an attempt to nullify ProZorro)

RECOMMENDATION #4 REDUCING SECRECY



Audit and reduction of the secrecy level in the defense budget and procurement

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- A tender for a complex review and diagnostics of Ukroboronprom has been announced (but not the audit)
- The level of secrecy in defense procurement remains unchanged (despite the provisions of the Strategic Defense Bulletin)

RECOMMENDATION #5 ABIDE BY COMMITMENTS



Establish systemic communication concerning the anti-corruption reform with the society and international partners, fulfill obligations

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- Attepmt to open information on beneficiary owners
- Financial Investigation Service was not created
- Automatic verification of e-declarations was not introduced
- Guarantees of NABU's independence come into question due to attempts of the top authorities to appoint favorably disposed auditors
- Constant attempts to establish control over the leadership of anticorruption agencies