



**PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA**  
**SUPREME PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE OF CASSATION**

**INFORMATION**

**on the movement and finalization of cases, initiated for corruption crimes  
during the period 2018 – 2020**

In March 2014, by Order No JIC-726/2014 of the Prosecutor General, a **Unified Catalog of Corruption Crimes** was introduced. It is structured in three groups, in accordance with the existing definitions of corruption under international acts and the obligations of our country arising from them: Civil Law Convention on Corruption<sup>1</sup>; Criminal Law Convention on Corruption<sup>2</sup> and UN Convention against Corruption<sup>3</sup>. By this catalog, the scope of corruption crimes has changed significantly.

The first group includes the actual corruption crimes, corresponding to the definition of the Civil Law Convention on Corruption and the non-reservation obligations for incrimination under the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption.

The second group includes factual elements related to the broader concept of corruption, which refer to unlawful actions of officials with a probable motive of corruption due to external factors and someone else's interest.

The third group includes factual elements criminalizing the behavior of officials and other persons, not necessarily influenced by external factors or someone else's interests, but constituting essentially abuse of official position.

In 2017 the Unified Catalog of Corruption Crimes introduced by Order No JIC-726/2014 was amended and supplemented by Order No ПД-04-279/2017 of the Prosecutor General and supplemented by Order No ПД-04-425/2017 of the Prosecutor General.

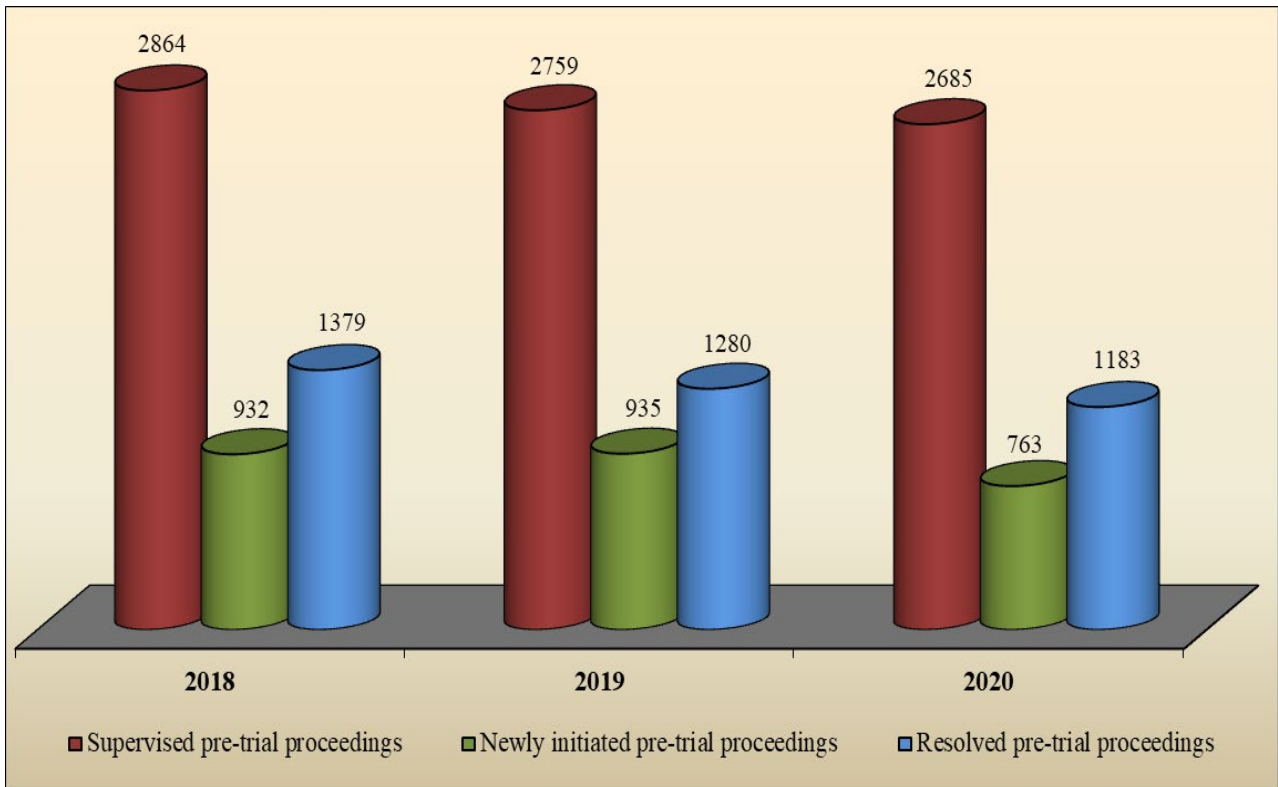
**Summarized data relevant to the cases initiated for corruption crimes**

Indicators	2018	2019	2020
Supervised pre-trial proceedings	2864	2759	2685
Newly initiated pre-trial proceedings	932	935	763
Resolved pre-trial proceedings	1379	1280	1183
Suspended pre-trial proceedings	194	161	142
Terminated pre-trial proceedings	622	602	586
Prosecutor's acts submitted to the court	433	410	358
Persons taken to court	508	486	446
Cases returned to the prosecutor's office by the court	76	61	40
Persons convicted by an enforceable verdict	375	343	262
Persons acquitted by an enforceable act of the court	57	38	43

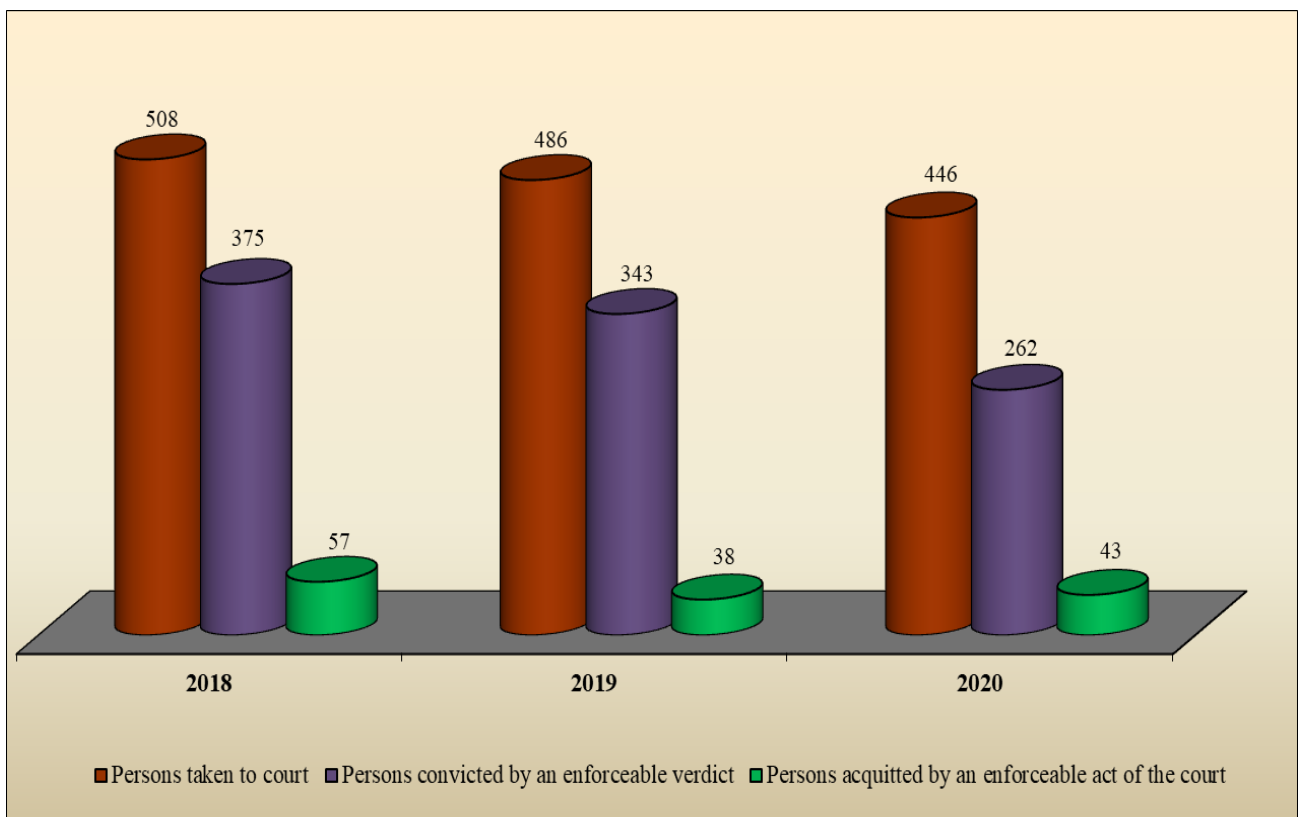
<sup>1</sup> Promulgated, SG 102/21.11.2003

<sup>2</sup> Promulgated, SG 42/2001

<sup>3</sup> Promulgated, SG. 89/2006 , in force as from 20.10.2006



*Fig. 1. Supervised pre-trial proceedings, Newly initiated pre-trial proceedings and Resolved pre-trial proceedings relevant to corruption crimes*



*Fig. 2. Persons taken to court, convicted persons by an enforceable verdict and persons acquitted by an enforceable act of the court for corruption crimes*

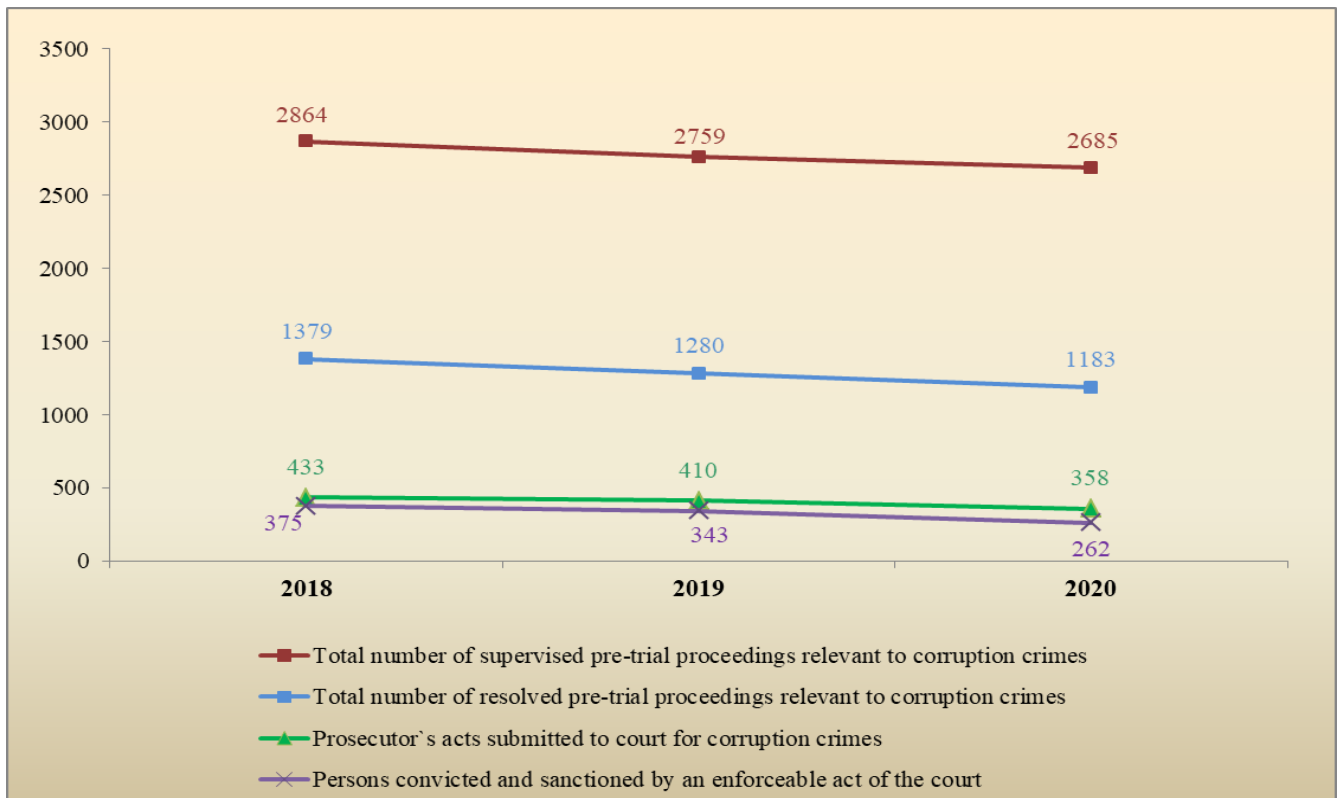


Fig. 3. Supervised pre-trial proceedings, Resolved pre-trial proceedings, prosecutor's acts submitted to court and persons convicted and sanctioned by an enforceable act of the court for corruption crimes

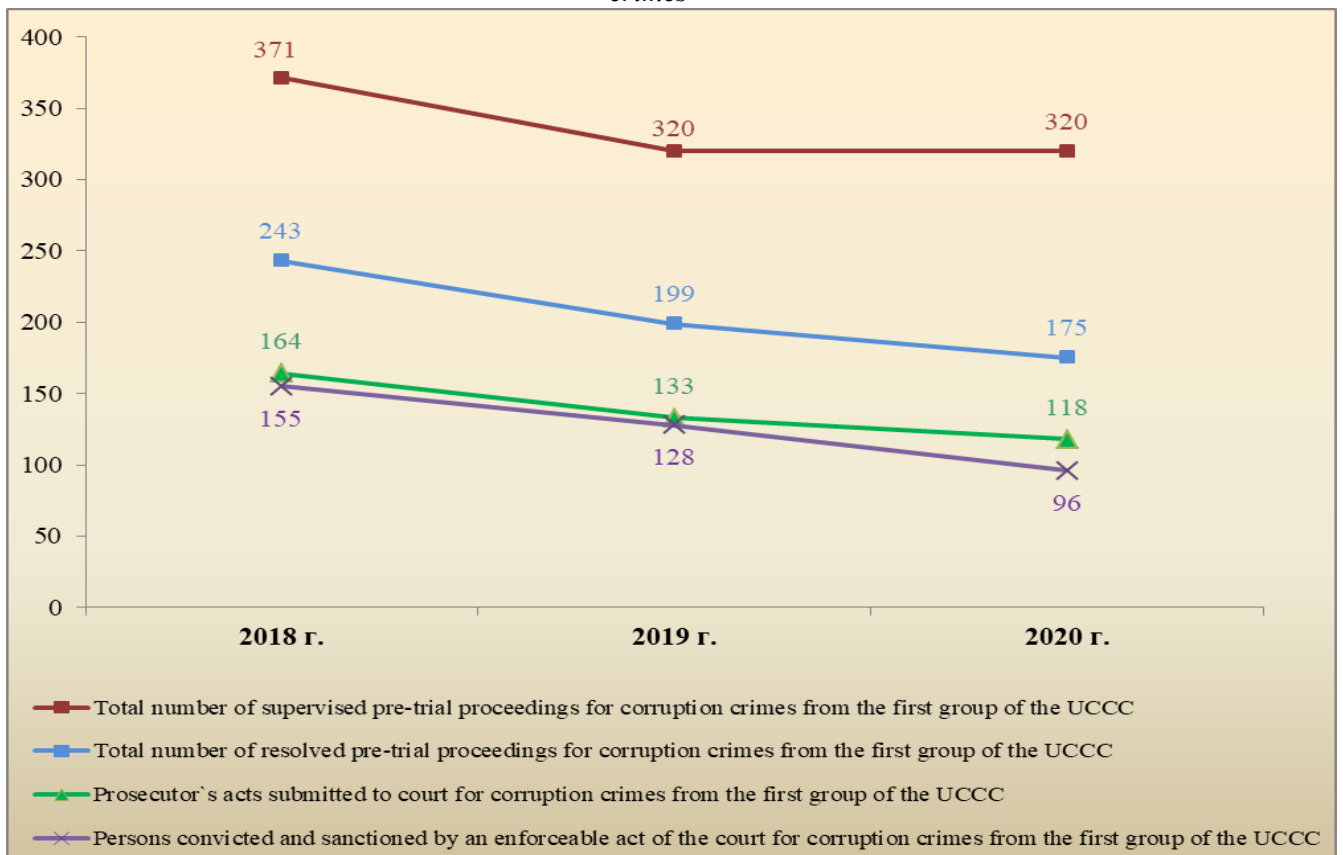


Fig. 4. Supervised pre-trial proceedings, Resolved pre-trial proceedings, prosecutor's acts submitted to court and persons convicted and sanctioned by an enforceable act of the court for corruption crimes from the first group of the Unified Catalog of Corruption Crimes

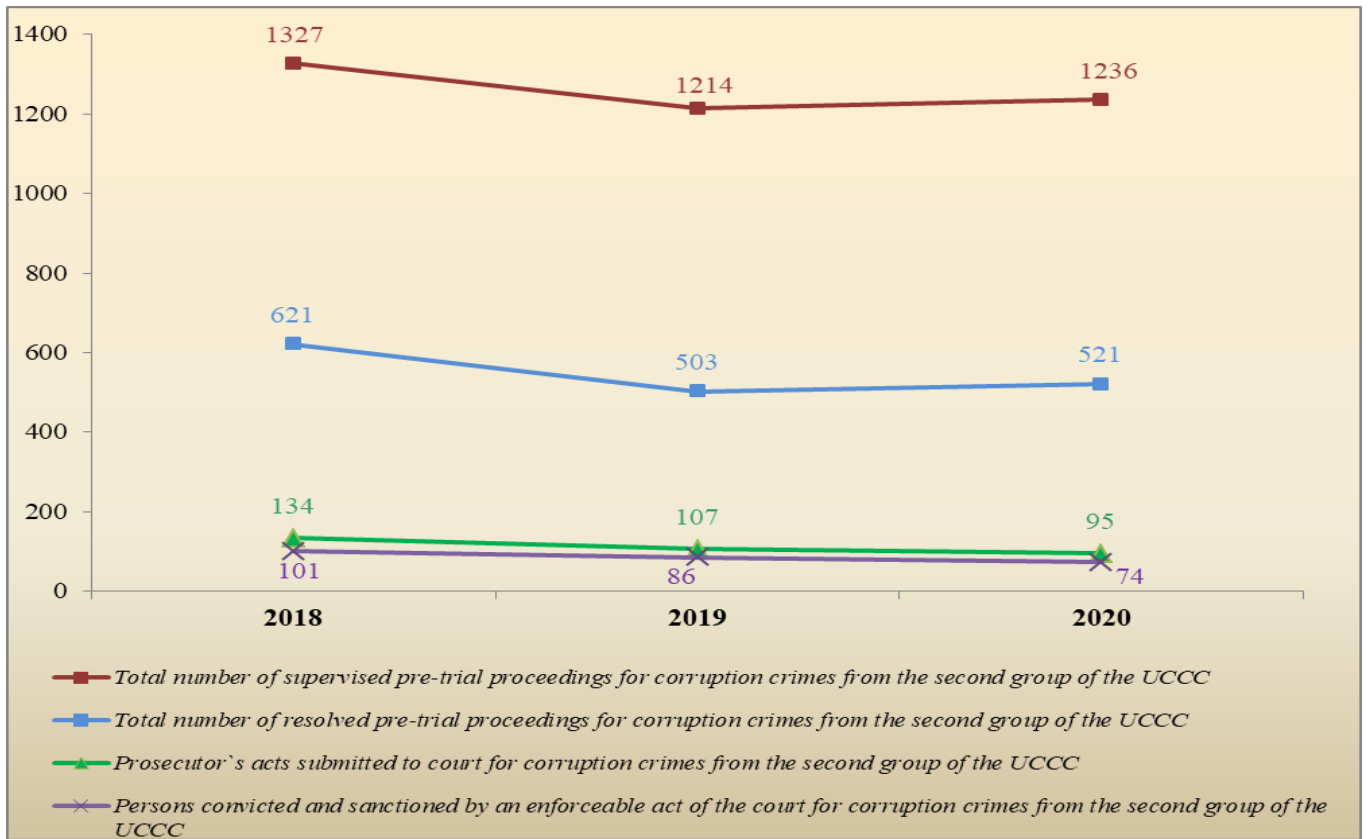


Fig. 5. Supervised pre-trial proceedings, Resolved pre-trial proceedings, prosecutor's acts submitted to court and persons convicted and sanctioned by an enforceable act of the court for corruption crimes **from the second group of the Unified Catalog of Corruption Crimes**

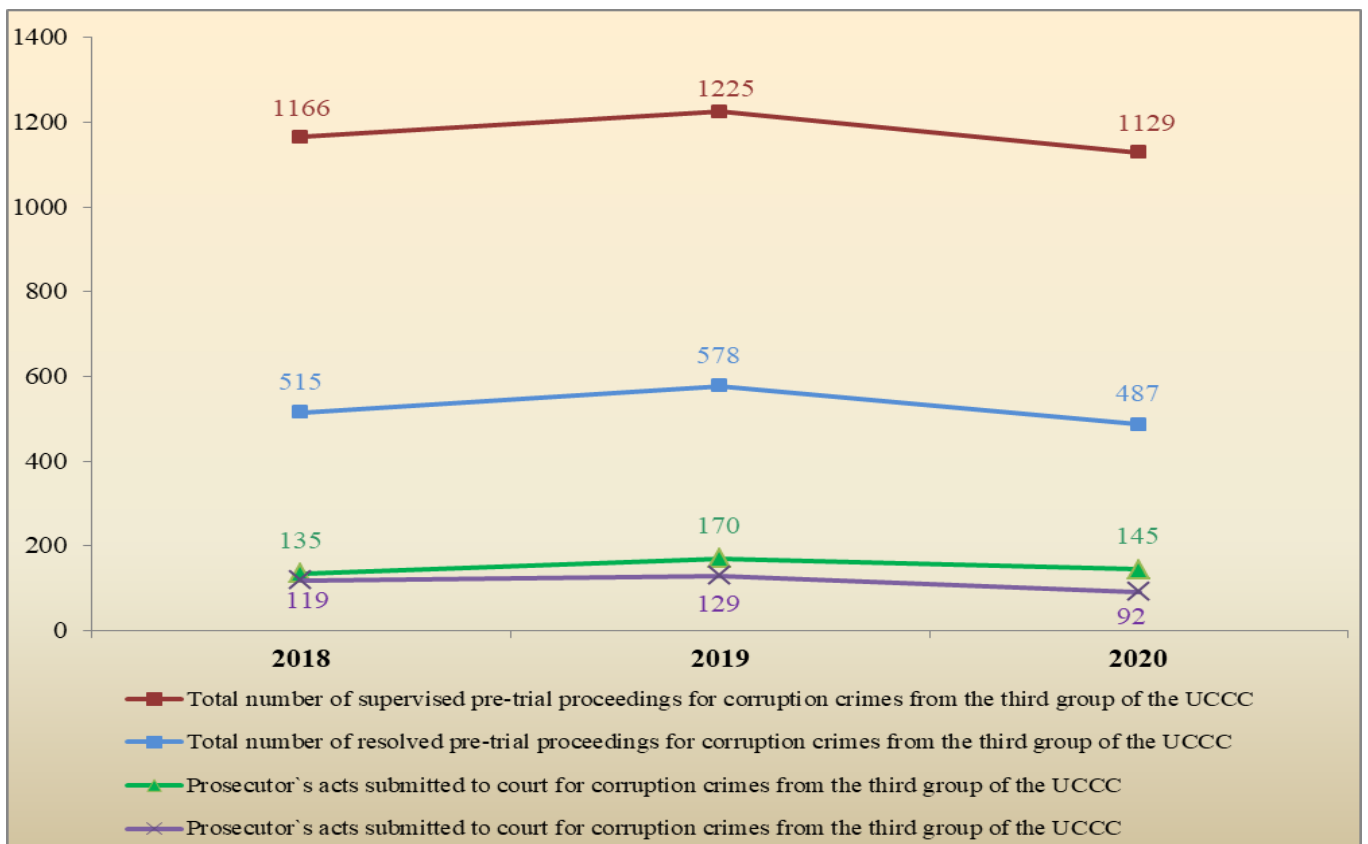


Fig. 6. Supervised pre-trial proceedings, Resolved pre-trial proceedings, prosecutor's acts submitted to court and persons convicted and sanctioned by an enforceable act of the court for corruption crimes **from the third group of the Unified Catalog of Corruption Crimes**

## INVESTIGATIONS OF CRIMES OF SPECIAL PUBLIC INTEREST FOR CORRUPTION CRIMES AT THE HIGH GOVERNMENTAL LEVELS

### CORRUPTION CRIMES

#### 1. Criminal proceedings ‘State Commission on Gambling’

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor’s Office dated 20.12.2019 on the basis of the fact that in December 2017 in the city of Sofia in order to acquire material benefits S.N., Tz.N. and B.N. were forced by intimidation to perform actions against their will – to transfer at artificially lowered prices their shares in Efbet OOD and this caused material damages to them and the forcing actions were accompanied by an intimidation for their physical destruction – **a crime under art. 214, para 1, item 1 in conjunction to art. 213a, para 2, item 1 of Criminal Code.**

In the course of the investigation, ten persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, including an oligarch, former and current chairman of the State Commission on Gambling at the Minister of Finance, as well as former/current members of the State Commission on Gambling. The defendants have been charged with participation in an organized criminal group established for the purpose of illegally benefiting of the leader and its members by means of application of violence to force the partners and managers of commercial companies, organizers of gambling games, to dispose gratuitously in favor of the members of the group of the company shares held by them, money laundering and accusation of breach of official duties, regulated under the Gambling Act. EAWs have been prepared for some of the defendants, as they are located outside the borders of the Republic of Bulgaria.

For the time since the beginning of 2014 until the present moment three companies have paid state fees under art. 30, para 3 of Gambling Act in violation of the requirements for defining of the financial base for calculation of their amount and for organization of gambling games, defined under the law by the term ‘instant win lotteries’ and this way they have avoided the payment of due sums in the amount of around BGN 559 million, which caused damages to the state budget in especially large size.

#### 2. Criminal proceedings ‘BOBOKOVI’

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor’s Office dated 03.01.2020 on the basis of the fact that for the time from an unspecified date to the present moment on the territory of the country unknown perpetrators participated in an organized criminal group within the meaning of art. 93, item 20 of Criminal Code, as the group had been established for profit and officials from the category of art. 411a, para 1, item 4 of Criminal Procedure Code also participated in it - **a crime under art. 321, para 3 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code.**

Eleven persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, including a deputy minister at the Ministry of Environment and Waters for participation in an organized criminal group of nine persons formed for the purpose of coordinated commitment in the

country of crimes under art. 255, para 1 of Criminal Code, art. 353b, para 1 of Criminal Code, art. 353c, para 1 of Criminal Code, art. 282, para 1 of Criminal Code.

### **3. Criminal proceedings with subject of investigation the water crisis in the town of Pernik**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 20.12.2019 under the rules of art. 212, para 1 of Criminal Procedure Code on the basis of the fact that during the period from 01.01.2017 to 01.11.2019 in the district of Pernik in the capacity of an official – governor of the district of Pernik, had not taken sufficient care for the management, administration, maintenance and preservation of the property entrusted to him - water resource of the dam Studena and for the work assigned to him and this resulted in significant damage and scattering of property and other significant damage to the enterprise – **a crime under art. 219, para 1 of Criminal Code.**

In the course of the investigation, the following persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants: the Minister of Environment and Waters, the director of Water and Sewerage – Pernik and the deputy mayor of municipality of Pernik for committed crimes under art. 219 /abeyance/ and under art. 282 of Criminal Code /abuse of office/.

### **4. Criminal proceedings for influence peddling**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 18.06.2020 on the basis of materials separated from the pre-trial proceedings supervised by the Specialized Prosecutor`s Office on the basis of the fact that for the time from November 2019 to the end of January 2020 in the city of Ruse and in the city of Sofia the perpetrator conspired with one or more persons to commit in the country or abroad crimes under art. 304b of Criminal Code, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged, aimed at acquisition of material benefits or at exercising of illegal influence on the activity of a governmental authority – **a crime under art. 321, para 6 of Criminal Code.**

In the course of the investigation, two persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, one of which is an advisor of the president on legal and anti-corruption issues for participation in an organized criminal group and for committed abuse of official capacity. Subject to investigation.

### **5. Criminal proceedings against an organized criminal group formed by officials of East Aegean River Basin Directorate**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 13.02.2020 on the basis of the fact that from the beginning of May 2018 to 28.02.2020 on the territory of Republic of Bulgaria and Plovdiv district a group of persons formed, managed and participated in an organized criminal group – structured secret association of three or more persons aimed at coordinated commitment of crimes under art. 301, para 1 of Criminal Code, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged, where the group was formed for gaining of profit and had a member who was an official within the meaning of art. 93, para 1, indent a of Criminal Code – Director of the Basin Directorate – a crime under art. 321, para 1, alternative 2 and alternative 4 in conjunction to para 1 and para 2 of Criminal Code.

The following persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants: the Director of East Aegean River Basin Directorate, the Chief Legal Advisor of East Aegean River

Basin Directorate and a member of Maritza Municipal Council – for a crime under art. 321, para 3, proposal 2 and proposal 4, item 2 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code.

**6. Criminal proceedings against an organized criminal group – customs and border officers at border check point Kalotina for requesting and receiving bribes**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office dated 21.05.2019 on the basis of the fact that since January 2019 on the territory of Republic of Bulgaria more than three persons participated in an organized criminal group – structured lasting association of three and more persons aimed at coordinated commitment on the territory of the country of crimes under art. 302 of Criminal Code and under art. 301 of Criminal Code, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged, where the group was formed for gaining of profit – a crime under art. 321, para 3, item 2 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code.

Twenty persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, who are charged with participation in an organized criminal group. The detainees hold various positions, namely: 11 customs inspectors at customs office Kalotina, 4 heads of unit at customs office Kalotina, 4 policemen at border check point Dragoman at Border Police General Directorate – Ministry of Interior and one head of customs office at customs office Kalotina.

**7. Criminal proceedings against high level officials at Combating Organized Crime General Directorate at the Ministry of Interior**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on the basis of the fact in 2020 in the territory of Republic of Bulgaria the perpetrator has led and participated in an organized criminal group - structured lasting association of three and more persons aimed at coordinated commitment on the territory of the country of crimes under art. 302 of Criminal Code and under art. 301, para 1 of Criminal Code, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged - a crime under art. 321, para 3, proposal 2 and 4 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code. The subject of the investigation is the activity of an organized criminal group, dealing mainly with bribery and logistics, assistance, protection on the activities of organized criminal groups dealing with drug trafficking and drug distribution, not only on the territory of Bulgaria.

The following persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants: the head of the counteracting drug trafficking and distribution department at Combating Organized Crime General Directorate and the head of section at the same directorate, as well as another official at the Ministry of Interior.

**8. Criminal proceedings against an organized criminal group formed by police officer in the town of Dragoman**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 20.05.2020 by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office on the basis of the fact that during the period from 01.05.2020 to 20.05.2020 in the town of Dragoman two police officers conspired to commit crimes in the country /under art. 301 and under art. 302 of Criminal Code/, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged and which were aimed at acquiring of material benefit – **a crime under art. 321, para 6 of Criminal Code.**

Three persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, of which two are investigating officers at the Border Police Regional Directorate – Dragoman.

**9. Criminal proceedings against a magistrate– a prosecutor at Regional Prosecutor`s Office – Elhovo**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 07.07.2020 by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor`s Office on the basis of the fact that for the period from May 2011 to December 2019 in the town of Elhovo, Yambol district acting in an official capacity – prosecutor at the Regional Prosecutor`s Office – Elhovo, failed to fulfil in due time the obligations imposed by his respective office in connection to penal prosecution for the purpose of ridding another one of punishment which is due by law – a crime under art. 288 of Criminal Code. According to instructions given on 05.08.2020 the investigation under the pre-trial proceedings has been initiated for a crime under art. 302, item 1, indent a in conjunction to art. 301, para 1 of Criminal Code.

One person was involved in the procedural capacity of a defendant for committed crime under art. 282, para 2 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code.

**10. Criminal proceedings against a magistrate– a prosecutor at Regional Prosecutor`s Office – Blagoevgrad**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at Sofia City Prosecutor`s Office for a crime under art. 288, proposal 2 in conjunction to art. 93, para 2 of Criminal Code committed on 25.06.2015 in Blagoevgrad.

The criminal proceedings have been initiated by the Specialized Prosecutor's Office after the Specialized Criminal Court returned the case to the Prosecutor's Office for elimination of significant procedural violations.

While the management and supervision was carried out by a prosecutor at Sofia City Prosecutor`s Office charges for a crime under art. 288, proposal 2 in conjunction to art. 93, item 2 of Criminal Code were brought against the investigated magistrate. On 11.11.2020 by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office new charges were brought against the magistrate, namely for committed crimes under art. 289 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code, under art. 283 of Criminal Code and under art. 288, proposal 2 in conjunction to art. 93, item 2 of Criminal Code. The investigation was finalized on 08.01.2021 and at present is at the stage of exercising of the powers under art. 242, para 1-3 of Criminal Procedure Code on the part of the supervising prosecutor.

**11. Criminal proceedings against the deputy mayor of Mezdra municipality**

The pre-trial proceedings under prosecutor`s file No 63/2018 on the docket of the Specialized Prosecutor's Office was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office on 16.02.2018 on the basis of the fact that during the period 2014-2015 in the town of Mezdra, Vratza municipality an official – Mayor of Mezdra municipality failed to manage with due care the property entrusted to him and this caused significant damages to the economy – a crime under art. 219, para 1 of Criminal Code.



One person was involved in the procedural capacity of a defendant – deputy mayor of Mezdra municipality for embezzlement – a crime under art. 219, para 3 in conjunction to para 1 of Criminal Code.

**12. Criminal proceedings against an organized criminal group for bribes, formed by police officers at 04 Regional Police Department - Sofia**

Pre-trial proceedings No 17/2019 on the docket of Investigation Department - Specialized Prosecutor's Office, prosecutor's file No 1831/2018 on the docket of the 1831/2018 was initiated on 13.11.2018 by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office on the basis of the fact that since the beginning of August 2018 in the city of Sofia the perpetrators participate in an organized criminal group - structured lasting association of three or more persons, formed for gaining of profit, aimed at coordinated commitment of crimes under art. 301, para 1 of Criminal Code, for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged, where officials are also members of the group – a crime under art. 321, para 3, item 2 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code.

Four persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants – officials at 04 Regional Police Department – Sofia, which include the head of Economic Police section and three operative officers, who were charged for crimes under art. 321, para 3 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code for a crime under art. 304b, para 1 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code and for a crime under art. 210, para 1, item 3 in conjunction to art. 209, para 1 of Criminal Code.

**13. Criminal proceedings against the mayor of Bozhurishte municipality**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office dated 10.05.2019 on the basis of the fact that during the period 21.11.2018 – 27.12.2018 in the town of Bozhurishte under the conditions of continuing crime in his capacity of an official holding a high level official position – mayor of municipality, violated his official duties in order to benefit himself or a third party and this could cause important harmful effects – a crime under art. 282, para 2, proposal 2 in conjunction to para 1 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code.

Three persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, of which the mayor of Bozhurishte municipality and a junior expert in the same municipality. The mayor of the municipality was charged with accusations for a crime under art. 282, para 2, proposal 1 and proposal 2 in conjunction to para 1 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code. The approximate damages for the municipality, which occurred as a result of the acts committed by the mayor of Bozhurishte, according to initial data exceed the amount of BGN 2 million.

**14. Criminal proceedings against an organized criminal group aimed at commitment of crimes for unlawful appropriation of funds provided under the Innovations and Competitiveness Program**

The pre-trial proceedings was initiated on 06.12.2019 by a decree of a prosecutor at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office on the basis of the fact that during the period from the beginning of January 2018 until the present day one or more persons agreed to commit on the territory of the country crimes under art. 282 of Criminal Code, art. 301 of Criminal Code etc.,

for which a sentence of imprisonment for more than three years is envisaged, aimed at acquisition of material benefits or at exercising of illegal influence on the activity of a governmental or municipal authority – **a crime under art. 321, para 6 of Criminal Code.**

Five persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants, who were charged with accusations for participation in an organized criminal group for unlawful appropriation of European funds under Innovations and Competitiveness Program – crimes under art. 321, para 1, items 2 and 3 of Criminal Code and art. 248a, para 5 in conjunction to art. 20, para 2 and para 4 of Criminal Code.

## **CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS WITH COMPLETED INVESTIGATION, SUBMITTED WITH INDICTMENTS BEFORE THE SPECIALIZED CRIMINAL COURT**

### **CORRUPTION CRIMES**

#### **1. Investigation against a former director of the Agricultural State Fund for concluding of an unprofitable deal**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted to the Specialized Criminal Court an indictment against the former director of Agricultural State Fund for conclusion of unprofitable deal – a contract with specific commercial company with subject provision of consulting services in the field of Public Relations and public communications of the Agricultural State Fund for the amount of BGN 19 950. The conduct of the former director of the Agricultural State Fund resulted in significant damage for the institution represented by him in the amount of BGN 19 950.

#### **2. Investigation against the mayor of Kostenetz municipality**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted to the Specialized Criminal Court an indictment for bribe against the former mayor of Kostenetz municipality and a businessman who won a public procurement tender co-finance by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development.

The evidence collected under the case show that during the period from February to 14 June 2019 Radostin R. in his capacity of an official and in complicity with the businessman I.P., proposed a gift in the amount of BGN 30 000 to a member of the Municipal Council in the town of Kostenetz in order to assure the adoption of a decision on fulfillment of a public procurement, namely: the signing of a promissory note on behalf of the municipality and in favor of the State Agricultural Fund for 50% advance financing of the contractor under the project for renovation of the local school Sv.Sv.Kiril and Metodiy. This way the municipality assumed responsibility for realization of the project to the total amount of BGN 1 148 977,17.

#### **3. Investigation against a magistrate – a judge administrative manager at Regional Court – Belogradchik and a registry judge**

The criminal proceedings was initiated at the Specialized Prosecutor's Office after the Specialized Criminal Court had returned the indictment submitted by Sofia City Prosecutor's Office against three persons, one of which was a magistrate - administrative manager at Regional Court – Belogradchik – for documentary crimes, abuse of office, bribe and document fraud and a registry judge, who was taken to court for committed documentary crimes.

#### **4. Investigation against an organized criminal group for bribes, formed by officials at Customs Office Varna - West**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted to the Specialized Criminal Court an indictment against the former head of customs office Varna-West, four senior customs inspectors – former shifts supervisors and a manager of a forwarding company. They were taken to court for participation in an organized criminal group formed for requesting and receiving of bribes.

**5. Investigation against an organized criminal group aimed at commitment of abuse of office at the Medical University – Sofia**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted to the Specialized Criminal Court an indictment against the former rector of the Medical University – Sofia V.M., the dean of Dental Medicine Faculty at the same university A.F. and four other persons for participation in an organized criminal group aimed at commitment of abuse of office. The six persons were taken to court on the basis of the fact that at the beginning of December 2014 in order to gain material benefit formed a criminal association for collecting and guaranteeing of admission of students at the university – mainly foreign students who do not meet the admission criteria.

**6. Investigation against the former mayor of Kavarna municipality**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against the former mayor of Kavarna municipality for embezzlement of monetary funds of Kavarna municipality in the amount of BGN 26 575.63 – a crime under art. 219, para 3 in conjunction to para 1 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code.

**7. Investigation against the former mayor of Perushtitza municipality**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against three persons, one of which was the former mayor of Perushtitza municipality for embezzlement and for conclusion of unprofitable deal – a crime under art. 202, para 2, item 1 in conjunction to para 1, item 1 in conjunction to art. 201 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 in conjunction to art. 20, para 2 in conjunction to para 1 in conjunction to art. 93, para 1, indent b of Criminal Code and a crime under art. 220, para 1 in conjunction to art. 93, item 1, indent b of Criminal Code.

**8. Investigation against an organized criminal group for bribes formed by officials at the National Revenue Agency /NRA/**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted to the Specialized Criminal Court an indictment against fifty persons - officials at the National Revenue Agency for participation in an organized criminal group that committed corruption crimes. The defendants were officials at Operative Inspections Directorate of NRA – Sofia at different levels. Fifteen persons were involved in the procedural capacity of defendants. The head of section at Operative Inspections department at Territorial Directorate of NRA – Sofia was accused as the leader of the group and participants in the group were officials – civil servants at Territorial Directorate of NRA – Sofia.

**9. Investigation against an organized criminal group for unlawful utilization of funds from European Investment Funds – Minyu Staykov 2**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against fourteen persons for leadership and participation in an organized criminal group for commitment of documentary tax crimes and such affecting the financial interest of the European Union as well as for crimes related to unlawful utilization of funds from the European Investment Funds.

In the course of investigation it was established that by means of a chain of legal entities and by false declaration, funds originating in the European Union in the amount of approximately EUR 20 million were received illegally, in different periods and under separate operational programs. This way funds in the amount of BGN 11,767,368.77 were allocated under the Rural Development Program of the State Agricultural Fund during the programming period 2014 - 2020 by presenting of false information about the relationship between certain economic entities and non-declaration of circumstances related to the beneficial owner of the rights, which they have. Furthermore, by the same mechanism in 2016 and 2017, during the programming period of the National Support Program in the Wine Sector /NSPWS/ 2014 – 2018 under the Restructuring and Conversion of Vineyards measure of NSPWS funds the the total amount of BGN 5 207 277, 77 were unlawfully received.

As a result of the investigative actions performed under the case, the receiving of funds in the amount of BGN 6,560,091 was prevented. As a result of the actions taken by the Specialized Prosecutor's Office, the State Agricultural Fund had taken steps to recover the amounts under the Restructuring and Conversion of Vineyards measure of NSPWS for the period 2014-2018.

#### **10. Investigation against an organized criminal group for bribes formed by officials at the Automobile Administration Agency - Blagoevgrad**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against eleven officials at the Automobile Administration Agency – Blagoevgrad for participation in an organized criminal group for requesting and receiving of bribes – a crime under art. 321, para 3, proposal 2 and proposal 4, item 2 in conjunction to para 2 of Criminal Code, a crime under art. 301, para 1 of Criminal Code and for a crime under art. 301, para 1 in conjunction to art. 26, para 1 of Criminal Code.

#### **11. Investigation against the mayor of Ribnovo municipality**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against the mayor of Ribnovo municipality for abuse of office and embezzlement that resulted in damages for the municipality in the total amount of BGN 3 027 144. 36.

#### **12. Investigation against officials at Nedelino municipality**

The Specialized Prosecutor's Office submitted an indictment against nine persons for embezzlement in the amount of BGN 1 224 345, 22. The persons taken to court include the former mayor, a deputy mayor, who during the incriminated period held the position Secretary of Nedelino municipality and chief experts responsible for investment control at the Specialized Administration Directorate of Nedelino Municipality.

**Summarised List of the Corruption Cases Opened in 2020 before the Supreme Cassation Court for Corruption Crimes according to the Official Position of the Defendants<sup>1</sup>**

TYPE OF POSITION	NUMBER OF CASES
Minister	1
Mayor of Municipality	2
Chairperson of the State Agency State Reserve and Wartime Stock	1
Director General of the National Railway Infrastructure Company	1
Director of Directorate	1
Executive Director of Single-Shareholder Joint-Stock Company (EAD)	1
Prosecutor	1
Private Enforcement Agent	1
Police Officer	5
Inspector at the Regional Food Safety Directorate	2
Customs Inspector	1
Inspector at the State Automobile Inspection	1
Manager of commercial company	1
Chief Accountant	1
Deputy Chief Accountant	1
Chairperson of Consumer Cooperative	2
Chairperson of a non-profit organisation	1

**5 cassation criminal corruption cases opened in 2019 were closed in 2020. One of them involved public interests.** A summarised list of the corruption cases from 2019 that were closed in 2020, according to the official position of the defendants<sup>2</sup>:

TYPE OF POSITION	NUMBER OF CASES
Regional Governor	1
Mayor of Municipality	3
Director of Directorate	1
Director of State Forestry Department	1
Head of postal station	1

<sup>1</sup> There were also cases where the defendants or some of them did not hold any official positions.

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