

### National Anticorruption Directorate Activity

During 2023, the National Anticorruption Directorate continued, at a sustained pace, its intense activity of prosecution and support of cases before the courts in corruption and corruption-related cases, in accordance with its competences provided by law.

#### Statistics - criminal investigation:

- number of criminal cases registered in 2023: 2,790;
- number of criminal cases pending in 2023: 6,085;
- during the reporting period, 132 criminal cases were resolved by indictment and 103 criminal cases by plea bargaining agreement; the total number of plea bargaining agreements concluded was 170.
- 651 defendants have been indicted, of which 481 by indictment and 170 by plea bargaining agreement; of the 651 defendants, 610 are natural persons and 41 are legal persons;
- The positions of defendants, natural persons, sent to trial:
  - 3 members of the Deputy Chamber, 1 Senator;
  - 1 former Senator - partner/administrator of a company at the time of the offence;
  - 1 former member of the Deputy Chamber - not employed at the time of the offence, in two cases;
  - 1 member of the Deputy Chamber at the time of the indictment - mayor of a municipality at the time of the offence;
  - 1 director of the Control Body of the Minister of Health, 1 general manager and 1 economic director of the ambulance service, 1 hospital doctor, 1 family doctor, 8 veterinarians, 3 hospital managers (including 1 interim), 1 hospital economic director, 1 executive director of the medical centre, 1 deputy director of hospital administration and medical services;
  - 1 president of the county council, 3 mayors of municipalities, 1 person delegated as mayor of a municipality, 13 mayors of towns/municipalities (of which 1 member of the Deputy Chamber at the time of the indictment), 1 deputy mayor, 2 directors in the town hall, 1 director of a local authority department - administrative territorial unit;
  - 1 financial auditor Court of Accounts of Romania;
  - 2 school principals, 1 college principal, 1 university pro-rector, 2 university professors (of which 1 also university department director), 1 research institute director within the Ministry of National Education, 1 kindergarten principal, 2 college teachers, 1 school inspector;

- 15 directors of public institutions;
- 1 general manager, 1 regional general manager in national companies;
- 2 penitentiary directors;
- 3 notaries (of which 1 in two cases), 6 lawyers;
- 49 police officers (of which 1 in two cases and 1 former police officers - retired at the time of the offence);
- 6 militaries.

Total value of assets and amounts for which pre-trial measures have been taken in the cases finalised with referral to trial – EUR 121,262,665.71.

#### Statistics – judicial activity

In the reference period 01.01.2023-31.12.2023 the courts notified by the National Anticorruption Directorate have ruled a number of:

- 257 final convictions decisions against 400 defendants;
- 49 final acquittal decisions for 175 defendants;
- 144 final decisions to terminate the criminal proceedings concerning 383 defendants, of which 364 defendants were found to be statute-barred as grounds for terminating the criminal proceedings.

Among the defendants who have been finally sentenced:

- 45 defendants have been convicted for taking of bribe;
- 82 defendants have been convicted for giving of bribe;
- 45 defendants have been convicted for influence peddling;
- 44 defendants have been convicted for buying of influence;
- 117 defendants have been convicted for offences against the financial interests of the European Union under Article 18<sup>1-5</sup> of the Law no.78/2000.

#### As regards the way in which sentences are executed:

- 45 defendants were sentenced to imprisonment with execution (*2 defendants were sentenced to imprisonment alternatively with a criminal fine*);
- 307 defendants were sentenced to imprisonment with suspended sentence under surveillance (*2 defendants were sentenced to imprisonment with an alternative penalty of a criminal fine*);
- 1 defendant was sentenced to imprisonment with suspended sentence;
- 20 defendants were sentenced to a criminal fine;
- for 27 defendants, the execution of the punishment was postponed

During the same reference period, the courts ordered the confiscation of amounts equivalent to approximately €19,417,133.

In relation to the period indicated, the courts awarded compensation in amounts equivalent to approximately €51,376,503.

The above-mentioned data will be presented in the activity report of the National Anticorruption Directorate for 2023 and published in February on the institution's website under the section "Our results".