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PREVENTIVE ANTI-CORRUPTION POLICIES AND PRACTICES

BELARUS (THIRD MEETING)

One of the crucial aspects of legislative regulations on the question of the fight against corruption in the Republic of Belarus turns on the development and successive realization/implementation of specific national programs in areas of the fight against corruption. In particular, currently, specialized agencies of the state administration of the Republic of Belarus as part of their competences implement guidelines/provisions of national programs on the fight against crime and corruption in 2010-2012, confirming the decree of the president of the Republic of Belarus of September 23 2010, No. 485.

For the purpose of improvement of political effectiveness countering corruption, on 22 December 2011 changes and additions to the law of the Republic of Belarus “On the Fights Against Corruption” were introduced, which are, in particular:

Including the concept “conflict of interest” and assessments on the prevention and settlement of conflicts of interest connected to the fulfillment of the charges of government officials (“conflict of interest” – situation in which the private interests of a government official, his spouse, close relatives, or relatives by marriage influence or can affect the proper execution of his official government service when making his decisions or his participation in making decisions or committing other actions during his service (at work));

Adding new versions of the terms “public official” and “persons the equivalent of government officials” (putting into concrete terms a current list of additional persons occupying positions connected to the implementation of organizational-administrative or administrative-economic charges in non-governmental organizations, with government funding, for which state ownership makes up not less than 50%)

Revising and expanding the list of restrictions established for public officials and their equivalents who take part in transactions on behalf of government organizations or non-governmental organizations in authorized funds for which government funding makes up no less than 50%, with legal entities, the owners of which are the spouse, close relatives or relations by marriage, and also individual entrepreneurs who are their spouse, close relative or relative by marriage

In addition, in 2011 the Model Regulations for Commissions on Corruption Prevention were confirmed (enacted by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus on 26 December 2011, No. 1732.).