

ACTION PLAN

FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL STRATEGY ON INCREASING TRANSPARENCY AND ANTI-CORRUPTION 2007-2011

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I. In the area of improving legislation

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
1.	Continuing undertaking measures for the implementation into the national legislation of the conventions of the UN and CoE as well as of other international treaties in the area of combating corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conducting general assessment for compliance with conventions and preparation of the final reports - preparation of the draft normative legal acts for the compliance of the legislation with the international documents 	Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption, Ministry of Justice, other relevant agencies	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	2008 2007-2008	
2.	Preparation of the draft legislative acts or proposals in the area of combating corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the draft law on legal persons' liability - Preparation of the draft law on conflict of interests in the activity of civil servants and other public officials - Preparation of the proposals to the draft law on prevention of the legalization of the illegally obtained funds or other property and the financing of terrorism - Preparation of the legislative proposal on protection of the whistle-blowers on corruption cases - Undertaking relevant measures to approve declaration form on financial disclosure of public officials 	Cabinet of Ministers, Executive Office of the President	NGOs, independent experts, international partners, Group on improvement of the Criminal Code	Jan.-Mar. 2008 Nov.-Dec. 2007 2007 2008 2007-2008	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the proposals for improvement of the legislation aimed at developing monitoring mechanisms in the area of financing political parties and transparency of expenditures - Adoption of the Code of Competition - Adoption of the Administrative Procedural Code 	Recommended: Milli Majlis		2008 2007-2008	
3.	Conduct of expertise of the normative legal related to combating corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assessment of the normative legal acts in force as well as normative legal acts - preparation of the amendments and changes to the normative legal acts for regulation of the legal relations not covered by the legislation - inclusion of the anti-corruption measures into the draft to-be-adopted state programs 	Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption, Ministry of Justice, other relevant government agencies	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Constant	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
4.	Creation of the single electronic database of the normative legal acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular update of the electronic database - keeping electronic database constantly operational - making electronic database open to the public 	Ministry of Justice	Independent experts, international partners	As of January 2008	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
5.	Provision of public participation in the process of preparation of the draft normative legal acts in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conduct of the public hearings with the participation of the civil society institutions, private sector 	Commission on Combating Corruption,	NGOs, international experts,	Regularly	State budget and other

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	the area of anti-corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> representatives, media and independent experts - promotion of the draft law proposals from civil society institutions, private sector representatives, media and independent experts to the subjects empowered with legislative initiative - assessment and consideration of the proposals and conclusions in the legislation area 	subjects empowered with legislative initiative	international partners, media		sources not prohibited by the legislation
6.	Evaluation of the necessity to pass law on lobbying activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - learning international experience - investigating possibility of lobbying activity in the context of the national legislation - preparation of the final document on this issue 	Commission on Combating Corruption	NGOs, international experts, international partners	June 2008	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

II. In the area of activity of state and self-governing bodies

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
7.	Specification of the authorities of the government agencies and continuing efforts to eliminate duplications in their activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct of expertise of Charters of government agencies and of other normative legal acts regulating their activity - Elimination of the duplications in the activity of government agencies, as well as providing legislative and other proposals with the purpose of the increasing efficiency of the government agencies - Clear identification of authorities of the government officials in the charters of agencies which are part of state body structures - Prevention of the implementation of both regulatory and commercial functions by the same agency 	Cabinet of Ministers, Executive Office of the President, Ministry of Justice, other relevant government agencies		2007-2011	
8.	Improving processing of the applications, references and complaints in connection with the corruption related violations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the proposals on improving rules for processing of applications, references and complaints - Conduct of the efficient investigation of the references and complaints - Organization of the receipt of the references and complaints through e-mail 	Cabinet of Ministers, Central and local executive authorities Recommended: courts, General Prosecutor's Office, Judicial-Legal Council, municipalities	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	June 2008 Regularly 2008-2009	

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9.	Improving system of filing complaints on administrative decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertaking measures to develop institutional mechanisms for the enforcement of the Administrative Procedures Code - Conduct of relevant training for civil servants and judges after the adoption of the Administrative Procedures Code 	Cabinet of Ministers, Executive Office of the President Recommended: Supreme Court, Judicial-Legal Council	International partners	After adoption of the Administrative Procedures Code	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
10.	Improving use of freedom of information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improving rules and forms for access to information - Improving activity of units in charge of accessing to information - Conduct of training in this area - Preparation of proposals related to the activity of the institute of information ombudsman 	Central and Local executive authorities Recommended: courts, General Prosecutor's Office, Judicial-Legal Council, Human Rights Ombudsman (Ombudsman, municipalities)	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	2007-2009	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
11.	Conducting specialized researches and public surveys with the purpose of studying the level of corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acquiring information on causes, characteristics and level of a corruption as a whole and sectoral corruption - Assessment of the efficiency of measures undertaken in the area of combating corruption - Identification of new anti-corruption measures based upon the results 	Commission on Combating Corruption	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
12.	Preparation of the annual reports on activity of state bodies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inclusion in reports of issues related to acceptance and other 	Cabinet of Ministers,		Till January 30 of every	

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		<p>issues related to service, budget, references and complaints, issues related to increasing transparency and measures undertaken in the area of combating corruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Publishing annual reports and disclosing them to public - Development of the sample guidelines by the Commission on Combating Corruption for the preparation report 	<p>Commission on Combating Corruption, Central and Local executive authorities</p> <p>Recommended: Supreme Court, Judicial Legal Council, General Prosecutor's Office, municipalities</p>		year	
13.	Improving the work of internal monitoring bodies of state agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creation of opportunities for individuals to file complaints directly to internal monitoring bodies - Rapid consideration and processing of the references by the internal monitoring bodies within short period of time - Informing law enforcement agencies about the corruption related crimes discovered by the internal monitoring bodies - Provision of internal monitoring bodies with material and technical resources, specialized human resources 	<p>Central and Local Executive Authorities</p> <p>Recommended: General Prosecutor's Office, Judicial Legal Council</p>		Regularly	State budget
14.	Developing website comprehensively reflecting activity of the government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regular update of information on the web pages - Placing information required by 	<p>Central and Local Executive Authorities</p>		June 2008	State budget and other

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	agencies	<p>the law “on access to information” on web pages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Using web pages as service tool for the population 	Recommended: General Prosecutor’s Office, Judicial Legal Council Municipalities			sources not prohibited by the legislation
15.	Improving collection of fees, tariffs and other payments in connection with the activity of government agencies and increasing transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring that information on fees, tariffs, taxes and information on payments for other rendered services is easily visible in the government agencies’ buildings - reducing cash collection of the fees, taxes, or other payments - ensuring that payment of salaries, pensions, social benefits and other social payments are done through plastic cards - conducting measures in the area of increasing transparency and learning advanced anti-corruption experience and its application 	Cabinet of Ministers, Central and Local Executive Authorities Recommended: Courts, municipalities		Regularly as of January 2008	
16.	Strengthening public relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - establishment of the hotlines in government agencies and informing the public about those hotlines - establishment of the system of operational response to the information received through hotlines - investigating decisions affecting public interests - organization of the information 	Central and Local Executive Authorities	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly as of January 2008	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		dissemination campaigns on activity of government agencies to increase public trust into government agencies				
17.	Improving activity of municipalities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provision of transparent and competition based hiring policies at the municipality apparatus - organization of the anti-corruption training courses and seminars for the staff of the municipalities - strengthening administrative control over the municipalities' activity 	Municipalities Recommended: Ministry of Justice	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly	
18.	Prevention of the conflict of interest in the activity of civil servants and other public officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conduct of training in the area of implementation of legislation on prevention of conflict of interests - development of the efficient monitoring mechanisms for the prevention of the conflict of interests - provision of the monitoring agencies for the prevention of the conflict of interests with the necessary material and technical resources 	Cabinet of Ministers, Central and Local Executive Authorities	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	After passing of the relevant law	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
19.	Improving code of ethics of civil servants and other officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - developing sectoral codes of ethics - identifying responsibility for the violation of the code of ethics - organization of trainings on issues related to code of ethics - increasing opportunities to file complaints on non-ethical conduct 	Central and Local Executive Authorities Recommended: General Prosecutor's Office, Judicial	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly as of January 2008	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - of the civil servants - informing public about the code of ethics 	Legal Council, Municipalities			
20.	Improving recruitment to civil service and increasing transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conduct of recruitment in all areas of civil service transparently and based on competition - development of the necessary monitoring mechanism in this area - providing the public with the information on terms of hiring for the civil service 	Cabinet of Ministers, Civil Service Commission under the President, relevant government bodies		2007-2009 Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
21.	Strengthening material benefits of civil servants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - gradual increase of salaries of civil servants, strengthening their social welfare - conducting systematic merit-based increase in salaries - increasing the image of civil service - attraction of the specialized cadres to civil service 	Cabinet of Ministers, Executive Office of the President		2008-2011	State budget
22.	Increasing professionalism of the civil servants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - identification the needs for increasing the proficiency of the civil servants and organization of the trainings for them - improving activity of the educational institutions and centers at the government agencies - learning international experience - organization of the joint trainings for the personnel of the government agencies 	Executive office of the President, Central and Local Executive Authorities	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - organization of the anti-corruption education programs and trainings (code of ethics, conflict of interest, freedom of information, etc) 				
23.	Development of a system of appraisal of the civil servants' activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adoption of the evaluation guidelines and enforcement of the system - consideration of the results of evaluation in civil servants' promotion 	Civil Service Commission under the President, Central and Local Executive Authorities		As of 2008	
24.	Enforcing the rotation system in the civil service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - identification of the areas where rotation system will be applied and enforcing the principle of rotation 	Central and Local Executive Authorities, other relevant government agencies		Regularly	

III. Agencies specialized in combating corruption, law enforcement agencies and courts

1. Improving activity of the specialized agencies in combating corruption

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
25.	Improving activity of the Commission on Combating Corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organization of the professional trainings for the staff of the Secretariat of the Commission and members of the Working Groups - Engagement of the representatives of the civil society institutions, private sector, mass-media and academia - Strengthening relations with international partners and participation in the international initiatives - Conduct of surveys and monitoring, analyzing the results and undertaking appropriate measures - Preparing proposals on strengthening the material-technical resources of the Secretariat of the Commission on Combating Corruption - Preparing proposals on improving the activity of the Commission 	Commission on Combating Corruption	NGOs, independent experts, international partners, media	Constantly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
26.	Improving the activity of the Anti-Corruption Department of the General Prosecutor's Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring the Department is provided with full staff - Engaging personnel of the Anti- 	General Prosecutor's Office		2007-2008	State budget and other

		<p>Corruption Department to the specialized trainings in the area of combating corruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring the Department has a new building and strengthening its logistics 	Recommended: Cabinet of Ministers		2007-2008	sources not prohibited by the legislation
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2. Improving the activity of law enforcement agencies

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
27.	Improving cooperation among the agencies conducting criminal investigation of the corruption related violations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertaking measures for the efficient organization of the mutual cooperation among the agencies - Ensuring efficient information and experience sharing among the agencies with the use of the new technology - Establishment of the single database of the corruption related crimes 	<p>General Prosecutor's Office</p> <p>Recommended: Ministry of Interior, Ministry of National Security, Ministry of Taxes</p>		<p>2007-2008</p> <p>Regularly</p> <p>2008</p>	

28.	Increasing the professionalism of the personnel of the law enforcement agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Specialization of the relevant employees in the detection, investigation and prosecution of the corruption related crimes - Conduct of criminal prosecution of corruption related crimes by specialized employees - Organization of education and training courses on criminal prosecution of the corruption related crimes and on newly adopted legislation in this area - Establishment working groups consisting of the staff of the training centers of the law enforcement agencies, development of the joint training programs on investigation of the corruption related crimes - Learning and applying international experience in the area of prosecution of corruption related crimes 	General Prosecutor's Office Recommended: Ministry of Interior, Ministry of National Security, Ministry of Taxes	NGOs, independent experts, international partners,	Regularly as of January 2008	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
29.	Strengthening of operational investigation measures for the detection of corruption related crimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wider use of operational-investigation measures in the detection of the corruption related crimes - Strengthening cooperation among the subject of the operational investigation activity and conduct of joint trainings - Preparing proposal on improving the efficiency of the operational investigation measures in combating corruption 	General Prosecutor's Office Recommended: Ministry of Interior, Ministry of National Security	International partners	2008-2009	State budget

30.	Stimulating provision of the competent agencies with useful for investigation information by the individuals engaged in corruption related violations and undertaking measures to stimulate cooperation with them	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learning agreements on cooperation with the criminal prosecution agencies - Improving protection of the witnesses and persons cooperating with the agencies conducting criminal persecution of corruption related crimes 	General Prosecutor's Office Recommended: Ministry of Interior, Ministry of National Security	International Partners	2008-2009	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
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3. Improving activity of the judges and courts

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31.	Improving publishing court decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Placing court decisions on the web pages and regular update of the information 	Recommended: Supreme Court, Appellate Courts	International Partners	Regularly	
32.	Improving legislation regulating the activity of courts and judges, including making judges subject to administrative liability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reconsideration of the grounds for involving judges to administrative liability - Learning international experience - Preparation of the relevant draft normative legal acts 	Recommended: Judicial-Legal Council	International Experts	2008	

33.	Undertaking measures to improve enforcement of the court decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increasing monitoring of the enforcement of the court decisions by the same judges who took those decisions - Elimination of the existing shortcomings - Punishing employees responsible for shortcomings during the enforcement of the court decisions - Preparing draft changes to the legislation in connection with enforcement of court decisions 	Ministry of Justice Recommended: Courts	International Partners	Regularly	
34.	Improving advocate activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improving material-technical resources of the Collegiums of Advocate - Increasing payments of advocates for the state provided legal assistance - Adoption of the code of ethics of the advocates 	Cabinet of Ministers Recommended: Collegiums of Advocates	International Partners	2008-2011 2008 2007	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

IV. Economic and Social Sphere

1. Entrepreneurship development and improving privatization

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
35.	Measures on entrepreneurship development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development and strengthening of the protection system of the entrepreneurs' investment activity - Increasing opportunities to benefit from credits for entrepreneurs - Prevention of the illegal intervention by government agencies into the activity of entrepreneurship subjects - Identifying problems of entrepreneurs arising as a result of the relations with the government agencies and undertaking measures for their solution - Studying and analyzing reports on Azerbaijan developed by international organizations in the economic sphere, preparation of the proposals as a result 	Ministry of Economic Development, relevant government agencies	International Partners	Regularly	
36.	Improving privatization procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensuring the equal right participation of all parties in the privatization process - Preparation of proposals on improving procedures for the conduct of the state auctions - Undertaking measures to prevent 	Cabinet of Ministers, State Committee for Management of State Property	International Partners	Regularly	

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		conflict of interests in the privatization process				
37.	Undertaking measures to increase transparency at the privatization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improving provision of information about the privatization process - Increasing transparency in the selection of the independent advisors (experts) to be engaged for the organization of the privatization process 	State Committee for Management of State Property	International Partners	Regularly	

2. Improving financial monitoring

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
38.	Improving activity of the agencies in charge of conducting financial monitoring and increasing their transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the proposals on concretization of the authorities of the agencies conducting financial monitoring and on improving mechanisms of financial monitoring - Identification of the justified normative for budget expenditures in all spheres - Preparation of proposals on legislation regulating budget system and on improving budget content - Preparation of proposals on 	Chamber of Accounts, Chamber of Auditors	International Partners	2008-2009	

		development and execution of the local budget, as well as on monitoring procedures and mechanisms for compliance of the spent funds with the approved budget indicators				
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3. Improving state procurement

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39.	Provision of the fair competition and equal right participation in state procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increasing monitoring of the financial agencies over the payments under the state procurement contracts - Development of the mechanism limiting future participation in state procurement of legal persons and individuals who were responsible for violations in the in the contests held under state procurement contracts and in the execution of the procurement contracts - Undertaking appropriate measures for the immediate consideration of the complaints to protect rights of plaintiffs participating in the state procurement contests - Informing law enforcement agencies about the discovered fact of corruption in state procurement - Preparation of proposals for the 	State Agency for Procurement, Ministry of Finances, Ministry of Justice	International Partners	2007-2009	

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		assessment of the efficiency of the condition of state procurement and of the system of state procurement; on improving existing legislation				
40.	Increasing transparency in state procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Using Internet services for the wider attraction of the participants to the state procurement contests and publication of the information on the results of the contests - Undertaking measures to organize electronic state procurement 	State Agency for Procurement	International Partners	2007-2009	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
41.	Increasing professionalism in state procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the information brochures on state procurement - To increase level of proficiency of the experts engaged in organization and conduct of the electronic state procurement, arranging specialized training for them - Increasing responsibility of the tender commissions in the organization and conduct of tender procedures 	Cabinet of Ministers, other relevant state agencies	International Partners	Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

4. In the area of state registration of the estate property

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
42.	Increasing transparency in state registration of the estate property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of proposals on simplification of rules and periods for the registration of the estate property rights, acquisition of the technical passport of the estate property, abstract of state record, for the limitations for the acquisition of the references from the state registry; elimination of the artificial obstacles in these processes - Ensuring the possibility to acquire information and documents from the state registry through Internet network 	Cabinet of Ministers, State Service for Estate Property Registration	International Partners	2008	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

5. Prevention of legalization of the assets acquired at the result of corruption

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
43.	Prevention of legalization of the assets acquired at the result of illegal activity and strengthening institutional mechanisms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of the cooperation and information sharing among the agencies combating money laundering - Improving mechanisms for registration and recording of the financial operations 	Cabinet of Ministers, other relevant government agencies	International Partners	Regularly	

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertaking measures to increase volume of non-cash payments among the actors of civil circulation 				
44.	Implementing international standards on prevention of financing of terrorism and money laundering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instructing relevant employees of the government agencies on measures against money laundering - Informing financial institutions and relevant government agencies on international standards and organization of trainings for them - Undertaking measures for the implementation of Financial Activity Task Force (FATF) 	Cabinet of Ministers, other relevant government agencies	International Partners	2008-2009	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

6. Improving audit service

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
45.	Implementation of the international audit standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of manuals and recommendations regulating activity of the internal audit service in accordance with international standards - Complying the monitoring system over the auditors' activity with the international standards 	Cabinet of Ministers, other relevant government agencies Recommended: Chamber of Auditors	International Partners	2008-2009	
46.	Increasing the quality of the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of the normative legal 	Cabinet of	International	2008-2009	

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	audit service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> acts on increasing the auditors' responsibility - Improving normative legal database regulating activity of the internal audit service - Ensuring transparency in accountancy and financial reports of commercial subjects 	Ministers, other relevant government agencies Recommended: Chamber of Auditors	Partners		

7. Improvement license and permission granting process

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
47.	Improvement work of state bodies in issuing licenses and ensuring transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of recommendations for simplification of terms and conditions of license issuing process - Preparation of recommendations for transition of consent functions (registration, granting licenses, approvals, certificates, etc) to electronic system 	Cabinet of Ministers, other relevant agencies	International Partners	2008-2009	

8. Improving taxation and customs work

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
48.	Increasing efficiency of tax control and inspections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Computerization of selection process of tax audit - Application of automation system for formalization of tax control and results - Preparation of standard indicators system and software program for implementation of cameral and mobile tax inspections - Improving complaint mechanism against decisions of tax bodies - Organization of control over implementation decisions made by tax bodies - Taking actions to prevent cases of evasion by entities which are subject to compulsory audit according to legislation 	Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Taxes	International Partners	2008-2009	
49.	Simplifying provision of necessary information to taxpayers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creating access to information on budget accounts through internet for taxpayers - Creating access to taxpayer's information via Internet which is not considered a commercial secret - Presenting electronic submission of tax declarations through Internet - Taking actions to adapt the work 	Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Taxes	NGOs, independent experts, International partners	2007-2009	

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		of tax bodies to the International Monetary Fund's code on the best practices on transparency in taxes				
50.	Improving process of customs tariffs and fees accumulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creating information service on customs tariffs and fees in customs offices - Posting information on customs tariffs and fees on a webpage - Transition to non-cash payment system for customs transactions - Improving complaint mechanism against decisions of customs bodies - Organization of effective control over implementation of decisions made by customs bodies - Accelerating commodity turnover on the customs border and creation of favorable conditions for entrepreneurial entities 	State Customs Committee	International Partners	2007-2009	

9. Improving health system

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
51.	Gradual application of compulsory insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of recommendation for improvement of legislation on compulsory insurance - Determination of institutional mechanisms for implementation of compulsory insurance - Application of compulsory insurance 	Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Finance	International Partners	2008-2010	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
52.	Actions related to determination of doctors' status and material-technical resource base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of recommendations on doctors' status - Implementation of doctors' recruitment based on transparency and competition - Adoption of rules of behavioral ethics for doctors - Raise of doctor's salaries and strengthening of social security 	Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice	NGOs, independent experts, International partners	2008-2010 2008 2008 2008-2011	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

10. Improving education system

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
53.	Improving management mechanism in educational institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improving mechanism of conducting examinations, ensuring transparency and strengthening public monitoring 	Ministry of Education	NGOs, independent experts, International	Regularly	

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		- Increasing efficiency of complaints resolution mechanism in educational institutions		partners	2008	
54.	Actions related to determination of teachers' status and material-technical resource base	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of recommendations on teachers' status - Implementation of teachers' recruitment based on transparency and competition - Adoption of rules of code of ethics for for teachers - Raise of teachers' salaries and strengthening social security 	Cabinet of Ministers, Ministry of Education	NGOs, independent experts, International partners	2008-2010 2008 2008 2008-2011	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

V. Public awareness and cooperation

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
55.	Bringing information to public attention on the actions geared towards combating corruption and implementation of the National Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conducting workshops, conferences and seminars, public hearings - Preparation of educational publications, films, drawings and other aids - Conducting interviews and discussions with government officials by mass media - Inclusion of training courses on anti-corruption struggle into curricula of higher and special 	Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption, Ministry of Education, central and local executive bodies, Television and Radio Broadcasting	NGOs, independent experts, International partners, mass media	Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		education schools, training centers and centers for improving professional skills	Closed Joint Stock Society, Prosecutor-General's Office, Judicial-Legal Council, Ombudsman			
56.	Increasing role of civil society institutions in implementation of the National Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Involvement of NGOs, private businesses and other stakeholders in the implementation of the National Strategy - Implementation of courses and trainings to increase professionalism, ethics and responsibilities of journalists that specialize in the field of combating corruption - Supporting initiatives of civil society institutions related to the implementation of the National Strategy 	Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption, central and local executive bodies, other relevant bodies are recommended: Prosecutor-General's Office, Judicial-Legal Council, Ombudsman	NGOs, independent experts, International partners, mass media, Press Council	Regularly	State budget and other sources not prohibited by the legislation
57.	Implementing cooperation in the field of combating corruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cooperation with international and regional organizations and participation in various international programs and projects with a purpose of implementing actions of the National Strategy - Continuing cooperation with international organizations and corresponding bodies of foreign 	Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption, central and local executive bodies, other relevant bodies are recommended:	NGOs, independent experts, international partners	Regularly	

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		<p>countries in the field of combating corruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Involving technical assistance and consulting of international partners in support for corresponding actions considered in the Action Plan - Taking appropriate actions with a purpose of implementing recommendations in the field of combating corruption prepared within the frameworks of GRECO and Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan of OECD - Taking appropriate actions to implement recommendations in the field of combating corruption prepared by Transparency International 	Prosecutor-General's Office, Judicial-Legal Council, Ombudsman			

VI. Monitoring system for implementation of the National Strategy

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
58.	Actions implemented by the state bodies related to implementation of the National Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of annual plan by central executive bodies and its submission to the Commission on Combating Corruption - Submitting information on the implementation status of the 	Relevant state bodies		<p>By December 20th of each year</p> <p>By 30th</p>	

	Name of the measure	Activities to be undertaken and expected outcomes	Responsible body for implementation	Partner organizations	Implementation Period	Financial sources
		<p>National Strategy by the central and local executive bodies to the Commission on Combating Corruption and the Cabinet of Ministers every six months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submitting information on the implementation status of the National Strategy by other agencies responsible for its implementation to Commission on Combating Corruption every six months 			<p>December and 30th June of each year</p> <p>By 30th December and 30th June of each year</p>	
59.	<p>Actions related to implementation of the National Strategy taken by Commission on Combating Corruption and the Cabinet of Ministers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assessment of implementation status of the National Strategy actions conducted by Commission on Combating Corruption and the Cabinet of Ministers - Conduct of monitoring process with a purpose of inspection of implementation status of the National Strategy by Commission on Combating Corruption - Preparation of annual report on combating corruption Commission on Combating Corruption Providing information on actions implemented in the field of combating corruption within the annual reports of the Cabinet of Ministers of Azerbaijan Republic to Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan 	<p>Cabinet of Ministers, Commission on Combating Corruption</p>	<p>NGOs, international partners</p> <p>NGOs, international partners</p>	<p>By January 30th and July 30th of each year</p> <p>2008-2011</p> <p>By January 30th of every year</p> <p>2008-2011</p>	

