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ACTIVITIES OF KOSOVO PROSECUTORIAL COUNCIL

(This edition of this Bulletin reflects the activities for the month of February 2023)

KPC opposes the coefficient set by the Government of Kosovo

The KPC has informed the public opinion that it has continuously participated in the working groups during the process of drafting the Law on Salaries in the Public Sector, in which case it has offered concrete proposals and comments related to this law, but which have not been taken into account from the relevant bodies.



Consequently, with the publication of the value of the coefficient by the Government, in fact, it is openly confirmed that the salaries of the state prosecutors and the salaries of a part of the administrative staff in the prosecutorial system of Kosovo have been significantly reduced.

On this occasion, expressing our strong opposition regarding the determination of the salary coefficient, we request once again that the request of the Prosecutorial Council addressed to the Ombudsperson for the referral of the Law on Salaries in the Public Sector to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Kosovo be fulfilled.

The KPC finally concludes that in this case the functioning of the prosecutorial system has been violated, because the claims raised in time are based on acts, practices and international standards, which cannot and should not violate the independence and functioning of any power.

Cooperation in raising the awareness of citizens and institutions on the Istanbul Convention is discussed

The Acting General Director of the Secretariat of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council hosted the Executive Director of the Non-Governmental Organization "Center for Information, Criticism and Action - QIKA".



The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the deepening of cooperation for raising the awareness of citizens and institutions on the Istanbul Convention on Combating and Preventing Domestic Violence and Violence against Women.

The joint activities between the KPC and the Office of the Council of Europe in Pristina are discussed

The Chairman of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council hosted the Head of the Office of the Council of Europe in Pristina and the experts of the KOSEJ project.



The topic of discussion was the deepening of further cooperation for the implementation of the third phase of the KoSEJ project. Since the project is in the initial phase, joint activities were also discussed in this meeting, with the aim of increasing efficiency, using the CEPEJ methodology.

Chairman Maloku received the Ambassador of Sweden, Jonas Westerlund, at the meeting

The chairman of the KPC received the Ambassador of Sweden in Pristina.



The chairman thanked the Swedish Ambassador for the support that the Swedish Embassy in Pristina has given and is continuing to give to the prosecutorial system of Kosovo. This support is evaluated within the framework of important commitments for the realization of the objectives and goals of the prosecutorial system of Kosovo.



The Chairman and the Ambassador put special emphasis on the discussion on the deepening of cooperation in the fight against domestic violence, organized crime and corruption, as well as generally strengthening the rule of law and order in Kosovo.

A workshop is held for the review of the Report and Work Plan of the Commission for the Administration of Prosecutions

The Commission for the Administration of Prosecutions, supported by the EUKOJUST project, organized a workshop for the discussion and review of the Work Report for 2022 and the Work Plan for 2023, which was attended by The Vice-Chairman of the Prosecution Council of Kosovo, at the same time the chairperson of

the Commission for the Administration of Prosecutions, administrators of the prosecutions, the staff of the Secretariat and the PPRU of the KPC, also representatives of the EU Office in Kosovo.



The workshop was divided into sessions, where at the beginning the 2022 work report of the Commission for the Administration of Prosecutions and the challenges faced in the implementation of work planning were discussed, while the second session was characterized by more discussions about work planning for the year 2023.

The next meeting of the Commission for Normative Issues is held

The Committee for Normative Issues held its next meeting, in which case it proceeded with the previously agreed agenda, in which case the draft guideline for the drafting of normative acts was reviewed, which defines the procedures for drafting normative acts in the prosecutorial system.



The members of the Commission emphasized that this instruction will be a good basis for the drafting of normative acts of the prosecutorial system.

The KPC condemns the threatening language of Minister Haxhiu, used today against Prosecutor Begiri

The Kosovo Prosecutorial Council condemns the threatening language of the Minister of Justice, Albulena Haxhiu, towards the prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution of Pristina, Iliaz Beqiri, used in today's court session against her, in which she is accused of throwing tear gas in the Assembly of Kosovo.

The KPC called on Minister Haxhiu once again to refrain from constant threatening statements towards the prosecutorial system of Kosovo in general and towards the work of prosecutors in particular, because the language used is an attempt to interfere in the independent work of the State Prosecutor.



On the other hand, the KPC will continue to strongly support and protect with all available legal means the professional work of all prosecutors of the Republic of Kosovo.

The KPC adheres to the joint statement that is expected to be signed with the KJC and the MoJ

In order to continuously strengthen the rule of law, the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, in full coordination with the Kosovo Judicial Council, is committed to concretizing the actions that lead to the clarification and strengthening of the legal framework, which regulates these two institutions.

The Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, together with the Kosovo Judicial Council and the Ministry of Justice, has pledged, through a joint statement, which is expected to be signed, to establish joint working groups for the evaluation, conceptualization and drafting of legal initiatives, with purpose of clarifying, amending and strengthening the legal framework in the areas related to performance evaluation, the process of recruitment, appointment and reappointment, the disciplinary

system, the professional development and status of prosecutors and judges, strengthening the mechanisms for declaring the assets of prosecutors and judges, the system for verifying the profile of candidates for prosecutors and judges, as well as the implementation of the recommendations from the TAIEX mission to combat organized crime and corruption (2022).



The signatory institutions of this declaration, respecting the independence of other institutions, specifically, without prejudging the Ad hoc Committee of the Assembly of the Republic of Kosovo regarding the constitutional and legal amendments for vetting and in line with the opinion of the Venice Commission, respectively, with the recommendation of this opinion "to enter into full dialogue with the Councils", pledge to implement the legal package, in order to strengthen the rule of law in Kosovo.

Finally, all planned actions will be in full coordination with international partners.

The draft administrative directive for the drafting of normative acts is finalized

The conclusion and finalization of the draft of the Guidelines for the drafting of normative acts were the focus of today's meeting of the Commission for Normative Issues.



Initially, during this meeting, the report for the monitoring of normative acts was approved, which was drawn up after the visits made to the prosecutor's offices of the Republic of Kosovo.

Further, in this meeting, the final draft of the Administrative Instruction for the drafting of normative acts was reviewed, which defines the procedures for drafting normative acts in the prosecutorial system, thereby creating the necessary basis for the way and methods of drafting these acts of important.

The Commission approved the draft of the guideline and it will be sent for approval at one of the next meetings of the KPC.

The 227th Meeting of the Prosecutorial Council of Kosovo is held

KPC held the 227th Meeting in a row, in which it approved with recommendations the Report of the Supervisory Commission for the implementation of the Strategic Plan and the Action Plan for Combating Corruption and Economic Crimes for 2022.



The Prosecutorial Council has approved the Commission's Report for the promotion of three prosecutors from the Basic Prosecutor's Office to the Appellate Prosecutor's Office, as well as made a decision to announce the promotion of five prosecutors to the Department for Serious Crimes in the Basic Prosecutor's Office in Pristina.

The KPC established an investigative panel for the case of a prosecutor in the Basic Prosecutor's Office in Pristina and approved the Administrative Instruction for the Drafting of Normative Acts of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council and the Personnel Plan for 2023, as well as handled two disciplinary cases.

Reaction of the member of the KPC, Agron Beka

Reaction to the tendentious and distorted actions of the IKD, in the show dated 18.02.2023 and writings/reactions dated: 24.02.2023.

1. The Non-Governmental Organization IKD once again reconfirmed that it is acting on orders or is in

error, i.e. manipulated, regarding the information published in the show "Betimi per Drejtesi", broadcast on KTV on 18.02.2023 and in the writings/reactions of those of these days.

- 2. This NGO, with its actions, is trying to exert influence on prosecutorial institutions, at the stage when the prosecutor's office is taking investigative actions against some public officials (about which I warned them with emails dated 2.02.2023 and 6.02.2023).
- 3. The very fact that this NGO has a LAWSUIT FOR DEFAMATION AND INSULT from me as the plaintiff (from last year), session to be held on 03.03.2023 in the Basic Court in Pristina reflects the certain tendency of this NGO.
- 4. This NGO tends, with its broadcasts and writings, to diminish over 250 testimonies that I submitted to the prosecutor's office (with the criminal complaint) against some public officials, who are defendants/suspects from the prosecutor's office for various criminal offenses and the four indictments brought against public officials.



- 5. I notified this NGO on 2.02.2023 and 6.02.2023 that when the prosecutor's office completes its investigative actions regarding the concrete cases, I expressed readiness to declare and participate in your broadcasts regarding all the issues that interest you.
- 6. This NGO, instead of supporting the prevention and combating of abusive phenomena initiated by me, takes completely opposite actions.
- 7. The responsible officials of this NGO must understand that the term "THREAT" OF LAWSUIT DOES NOT EXIST in judicial/legal terminology and such

designation is a serious professional, legal and logical error.

- 8. This NGO's officially declared field of activity is EDUCATION/TRAINING, for which it was founded as an NGO, and not to exceed the mission and purpose for which it was founded.
- 9. Starting from all this, this NGO is again (repeating) entering the field of slander and insults with their writings and reactions. Therefore, taking further legal action (on my part) in the bodies of the justice system will be inevitable.
- 10. As for the information of the public opinion: As a member of the KPC, I have so far sent dozens of official letters to the KPC, where I have highlighted most of the serious problems and difficulties faced by the prosecutorial system of Kosovo and KPC.

With respect,

Prof. Assoc. Dr. Agron Beka

Member of the KPC

Drafting of the draft regulations for the allowances of employees in the prosecutorial system begins

The working group for the drafting of the Regulation for the allowances of employees in the prosecutorial system held the first meeting for the drafting of the draft Regulation for the allowances of employees in the prosecutorial system.



This draft of this regulation will serve to regulate the payment of all allowances, which will be due to employees in the prosecutorial system, who meet the criteria provided by the Law on Salaries in the Public Sector and based on the relevant regulation.

During the meeting, it was said that this working group will finalize this draft regulation within the shortest possible time and the same will be sent for approval in one of the next meetings of the Commission for Normative Issues of the KPC.

Activities of the KPC Secretariat

The Secretariat of the KPC, during the month of February, provided a professional contribution to the two-day workshop for the drafting of the work plan (2023) of the Commission for the Administration of Prosecutions and for the drafting of the annual report (2022).

A consultation was also held with CEPEJ experts, where the possibility of providing support for the preparation of statistical forms generated by CMIS related to the evaluation of prosecutors applying CMIS and other issues was discussed, as well as a meeting was held with the experts of the EukoJust Project.

It was also reported on the Rule of Law Strategy for the period July-December 2022.

SKPC has cooperated with UNDP for the implementation of the procedures for the development of the web portal of the prosecutorial system of Kosovo, which will soon start working on the preliminary stages until its finalization.