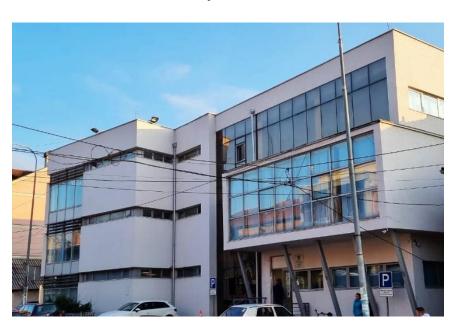


BULLETIN OF THE BASIC PROSECUTION OFFICE IN PRIZREN

<u>January – March 2024</u>



This bulletin will reflect the main activities, which were carried out in the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, for the period January-March 2024.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PROSECUTOR ARE FUNDAMENTAL IN PRIZREN January - March 2024

Indictment for selling and buying narcotics and organizing pyramid schemes

Prizren, January 16, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendants AE, BE, and TB, due to the well-founded suspicion that they have committed the criminal offenses "Unauthorized purchase, possession, distribution and sale of narcotics, substances psychotropic and analogous" under article 267, and "Organization of pyramid schemes and illegal gambling" from article 294, of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, the defendants BE and AE, from an unconfirmed time until 30.08.2023 at around 2:00 p.m., in their house in the village of Zhur and in the city of Prizren, distributed and offered for sale substances without authorization or preparations which have been declared by law as narcotic and that of the "cocaine" type, in such a way that they keep the narcotic obtained through illegal routes in their house in the village of Zhur from where they start selling it in small quantities to different people in the village Zhur and in the city of Prizren. During the application of special investigative measures on 30.08.2023, the defendant AE, while he was driving the "Fiat Croma" brand car in Prizren, was arrested and two (2) nylon bags filled with suspected narcotic substances were seized from him, cocaine weighing 2.55 grams, while at the same time during the search at the defendants' house, a black digital scale was found and seized, and 45 (forty-five) nylon bags filled with suspected narcotic substance of the type cocaine weighing 23.04 grams, three (3) nylon bags filled with a suspected cocaine-type narcotic substance weighing 52.34 grams and one nylon bag weighing 1.76 grams, which narcotic substances after examination and expertise by the Laboratory of the Kosovar Agency for Forensics, turn out to be of the cocaine type, from net measurements with a total weight of 65.76 grams.

With these actions, the co-defendants have committed the criminal offense of "Purchase, possession, distribution and unauthorized sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances".

While, the defendant TB, intentionally helps the aforementioned defendants in the commission of the criminal offense, providing them with various clients for the purchase of narcotics.

Also, the defendants BE, and AE, from an unconfirmed time in 2021 until 30.08.2023, continuously, in the village of Zhur, Municipality of Prizren, in a bar and through electronic means, with the aim of illegal profit of financial benefit for themselves, organize games of chance as defined by law, for which a license has not been granted, in such a way that the same in complicity, illegally and secretly through mobile phones and the computer that was located in the aforementioned premises, install different accounts from different gambling websites, from which websites create accounts for different customers, then to those accounts they send money to the customers to conduct gambling games, and then the latter pay the money you have for the defendants.

With these actions in complicity, they have committed the criminal offense "Organization of pyramid schemes and illegal gambling" according to the CCRK.

The prosecutor of the case, upon the indictment, has proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the aforementioned defendants for the criminal offenses for which they are accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

Also, the prosecutor has proposed that as means of commission and property benefit, the items that have enabled the commission of the criminal offense, which have been temporarily seized, and which are:

One (1) Fiat Croma vehicle, gray metallic;

One (1) Citroen C-Elysee vehicle, white color;

Three (3) phones: Sony Xperia, IPHONE X and Samsung;

Banknotes in the amount of 1140 Euros and 40 Swiss Francs;

Fifty-one~(51)~nylon~bags~filled~with~suspected~Cocaine-type~narcotic~substance~weighing~79.69~grams;

One (1) black digital scale;

One (1) DVR.

Indictment for purchase and sale of narcotics

Prizren, January 18, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, the Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendants VB, AF, AK, and EK, due to the well-founded suspicion that they have committed the criminal offense "Purchase, possession", unauthorized distribution and sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" under article 267 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (KPRK).

According to the indictment, defendants VB, AF, AK, and EK, on 21.11.2023 around 13:30 in the village of Duhël - Municipality of Suhareka, without authorization they possessed narcotic substances for the purpose of sale and distribution, in such a way that during the routine control of the police within the operational plan "Safety in schools 2023/2024", and in the case of the inspection of the Golf V vehicle, which was driven by the defendant VB, and the passengers were the defendants AF and AK, accompanied by the citizen B.Sh., in the defendant AF, five nylon bag with a narcotic substance of the "marihuana" type with a total weight of 7.29 grams and to the defendant AK, a nylon bag with a narcotic substance of the "marijuana" type with a total weight of 3.69 grams, these substances declared by law as narcotics, and who offered these narcotic substances for sale from the vehicle in question without authorization from the competent body.

Also, on 22.11.2023 at around 14:20 min in Suhareka, in a parking lot near the Suhareka Gymnasium (within the perimeter of 350 meters), without authorization they possessed narcotic substances for the purpose of sale and distribution, in such a way that during the routine control of the police within the operational plan "Security in school 2023/2024", and during the inspection of the Golf V vehicle, which was driven by the defendant VB, and the passengers were AF, AK, and EK, a nylon bag filled with a narcotic substance of the type was found on the defendant EK "marihuana" with a total weight of 1.74 grams, on the defendant AF, a white paper with a narcotic substance of the "marihuana" type, weighing 1.21 grams, and a grinder for grinding marijuana, was found inside the vehicle behind the passenger's seat passengers, in a space in the back, 70 empty small bags were found placed in a bag, which are used to pack the narcotic substance, while on the same date around 18:00 min in

the village of Studenqan, during the search of the house of the defendant VB, the following were found and seized:

One (1) nylon bag filled with marijuana-type narcotic substance with a total weight of 31.32 grams; One (1) nylon bag with marijuana-type narcotic substance with a total weight of 82.56 grams.

The prosecutor of the case, when the indictment was filed, proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, administering the evidence and evaluating it, the aforementioned defendants for the criminal offense for which they are accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

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The administrator of the Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Xhemajl Qelaj, retires

Prizren, January 19, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren has organized a welcome meeting for administrator Xhemajl Qelaj, who has reached retirement age.

In this meeting, Chief Prosecutor Admir Shala highly appreciated the contribution of the now former administrator Xhemajl Qelaj to the administration of the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, and at the same time wished him a happy retirement, health and success in life.

Meanwhile, the retired administrator, Xhemajl Qelaj, thanked all the employees of the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren for the respect, support and cooperation he had with everyone, during the period of work in the prosecutorial system.

As a sign of respect for the contribution made to this prosecution, Chief Prosecutor Shala shared a note of gratitude to the former administrator Xhemajl Qelaj.

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Indictment for abuse of official position

Prizren, January 24, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant AS, due to the well-founded suspicion that he has continuously committed the criminal offense "Misuse of official position or authority" under Article 414, of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, dated 07.09.2021 in Dragash, in the capacity of the official person clerk at the Cadastral Office of the Directorate for Urbanism, Cadastre and Environmental Protection of the Municipality of Dragash, using the official duty or authority, exceeds his powers, with the aim to gain any benefit for the other person or to cause harm to the other person or to violate the latter's rights, acts contrary to the Law on the establishment of the register of immovable property rights, in that way that the cadastral parcels: *P-457*, *P-1478* and *P-2138* of the Cadastral Area of the village of Brezne - Municipality of Dragash, with existing owner DB, without legal basis and regular legal procedure, registers the same in the name of the citizen HB, issuing to the same the certificate of ownership dated 07.09.2021, which certificate is in complete contradiction with the certificate of ownership dated 14.08.2018 issued by the same authority, to the citizen - the injured party DB

While, on 02.11.2021 outside of any authorization related to his official duty, he compiles the written Explanation for the Court, which he signs and seals with the official seal of the cadastral authority,

even without notifying it at all, he sends it to the Court, in which explanation he presented the clarifications - his reasons why he registered the aforementioned cadastral plots from the existing owner DB, to the other person HB, thereby causing damage to the injured party DB, in the value of the cadastral plots of 250,000.00 euros.

The prosecutor of the case, having filed the indictment, proposed to the Court that after the holding of the judicial review, the administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the above-mentioned defendant for the criminal offense for which he is accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

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Indictment for abuse of official position

Prizren, January 24, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant A.S., due to the well-founded suspicion that he has continuously committed the criminal offense "Misuse of official position or authority" under Article 414, of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (KPRK).

According to the indictment, dated 07.09.2021 in Dragash, in the capacity of the official person – clerk at the Cadastral Office of the Directorate for Urbanism, Cadaster and Environmental Protection of the Municipality of Dragash, using the official duty or authority, exceeds his powers, with the aim to gain any benefit for the other person or to cause harm to the other person or to violate the rights of the latter, acts contrary to the Law on the establishment of the register of immovable property rights , in that way that the cadastral parcels: *P-457*, *P-1478* and *P-2138* of the Cadastral Area of the village of Brezne - Municipality of Dragash, with existing owner D.B., without legal basis and regular legal procedure, registers the same in the name of the citizen H.B., issuing to the same the certificate of ownership dated 07.09.2021, which certificate is in complete contradiction with the certificate of ownership dated 14.08.2018 issued by the same authority, to the citizen - the injured party D.B.

While, on 02.11.2021 outside of any authorization related to his official duty, he compiles the written Explanation for the Court, which he signs and seals with the official seal of the cadastral authority, even without notifying it at all, he sends it to the Court, in which explanation he presented the clarifications - his reasons why he registered the aforementioned cadastral plots from the existing owner D.B., to the other person H.B., thereby causing damage to the injured party D.B., in the value of the cadastral plots of 250,000.00 euros.

The prosecutor of the case, when the indictment was filed, proposed to the Court that after the holding of the main trial, the administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the above-mentioned defendant for the criminal offense for which he is accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.



The Chief Prosecutor of Prizren met the Minister of Justice

Prizren, January 25, 2024 - The Chief Prosecutor of the Basic Prosecution in Prizren, Mr. Admir Shala, today held an official meeting with the Minister of Justice, Mrs. Albulena Haxhiu, with whom they discussed issues of common interest.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the strengthening of cooperation in terms of justice, in the direction of combating criminality. Chief Prosecutor Shala informed Minister Haxhiu about the work, challenges and goals of the prosecution that he leads. During this meeting Mr. Shala, presented the achievements of the Prizren Prosecution Office. Also, during the meeting, the allocation of the land parcels for the construction of the new prosecution facility was discussed.

In this meeting, in particular, cases of domestic violence were discussed as one of the most sensitive cases for treatment, as well as the new Law on the Prevention and Addressing of Domestic Violence.

At the end of the meeting, the parties agreed on the continuation of mutual cooperation in terms of addressing and implementing justice reforms.

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Indictment against four persons for possession and sale of narcotics

Prizren, January 26, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant E.Sh., because he committed the criminal offenses "Unauthorized purchase, possession, distribution and sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances under Article 267, and "Facilitating the provision or use of narcotics, psychotropic or analogous substances" under Article 271, as well as to the defendants: ZK, FSh., and VZ, because each separately committed the criminal offense "Unauthorized possession of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" under article 269, according to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, the defendant E.Sh., on 05.08.2023 at around 21:40 $^{\circ}$ in Prizren, in the bar with the initials "LB", which is located within 20 meters, near the school, without authorization buys or possesses for the purpose of sale or distribution, or offers for sale substances or preparations that have been declared by law as narcotics, and distributes the same to others, in such a way that during the inspection of the aforementioned premises, on his body , 16 plastic bags with a suspected narcotic substance of the "cocaine" type were found, while, during the control, 70 plastic bags filled with a suspected narcotic substance of the "cocaine" type were found in a net weight of 29.46 grams, one dose of the same substance weighing 0.31 grams was distributed and handed over to the defendant by the ZK, during the inspection of his house in the village of Hoqa e Qytetit, a digital

scale was found in the bedroom, a tool that was used to measure the substance narcotics and 4,050.00 euros, which are suspected to be funds obtained from the sale of narcotic substances.

With this, the same has committed the criminal offense "Purchase, possession, distribution and unauthorized sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" according to the CCRK.

Likewise, the defendant E.Sh., on 05.08.2023 in the above-mentioned bar which he runs, and which is used as a cafeteria for the public, allows and tolerates the use of narcotics in such a way that the defendants F.Sh. ZK and VZ, in the capacity of consumers, allows the use of narcotic substances such as "marijuana" and "cocaine". With these actions, he has committed the criminal offense of "Facilitating the supply or use of narcotics, psychotropic or similar substances" according to the CCRK.

Meanwhile, the defendants: F.Sh., ZK, and VZ, on 05.08.2023 at around 21:40, while they were in the capacity of consumers in the bar "LB" in Prizren, without authorization possessed narcotics in that way that during the search by the police, on the defendant F.Sh., in his body, the police found half a joint (marijuana cigarette) suspected of being a narcotic substance of the marijuana type, weighing 0.12 grams.

In the defendant ZK, the police found four aluminum foils in his body, with suspected amounts of narcotics of the "marihuana" type, with a net weight of 1.6 grams, and a plastic bag with the suspected narcotic substance cocaine, weighing 0.31 grams. Whereas, in the case of the defendant VZ, the police found residues of the narcotic substance suspected to be marijuana, with a weight of 0.26 grams, a digital scale and a grinder together with a rice packaging, these tools for the preparation of narcotic substance for consumption.

With these actions, they have committed the criminal offense "Unauthorized possession of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" according to the KPRK.

The prosecutor of the case, upon the indictment, has proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, the administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the above-mentioned defendants for the criminal offenses for which they are accused be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

Indictment for bribery

Prizren, 05 February 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant MM, (a citizen of Albania), who has been in custody since 25.01.2024, due to the suspicion that he committed the criminal offense "Giving a bribe" from article 422, according to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, the defendant MM, on 25.01.2024, at 12:00 at the border crossing point in Vërmica, directly offers or gives any unreasonable gift or other benefit to the official person, so that this the latter not to act in accordance with his official duty, in such a way that, knowing that he is on the stop-list of the authorities of the Republic of Albania, he approaches the booth of the police officer of Kosovo, in which case until the latter was checking the documents, the defendant placed the sum of ten euros (€10) on his desk. The same was immediately detained by the border police of the Republic of Kosovo.

The prosecutor of the case, when the indictment was filed, proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, administration of the evidence and their evaluation, the above-mentioned defendant for the criminal offense for which he is accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

Indictment for buying and selling narcotics

Prizren, February 20, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, Department of Serious Crimes, has filed an indictment against the defendant GI, who is in custody due to the well-founded suspicion that he committed the criminal offense "Unauthorized Purchasing, possessing, distributing and sale use of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" from article 267, according to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo (CCRK).

According to the indictment, the defendant GI, on 01.12.2023 at around 23:10, at the Vërmica Border Crossing Point, exactly at the entrance from the Republic of Albania to the Republic of Kosovo, without authorization and with the purpose of sale or distribution, imports substances or preparations which are declared by law as narcotics, in such a way that the defendant, after obtaining the narcotic in an unknown place in the Republic of Albania, through a bus owned by one of the tourist companies, penetrates the narcotic into the Republic of Kosovo, but at the entrance of border, the same bus together with the passengers is selected for a detailed check at the second control line, and during the joint check between the police and customs officials, a shoulder bag is found in the place where the shoulder bags are placed in the baggage area on the bus, and a nylon bag with suspected narcotic substance is seized, which narcotic substance, after examination and expertise by the Laboratory of the Kosovar Forensic Agency, turns out to be of the cannabis type (marijuana), from net measurements with a total weight of 655.97 grams.

The prosecutor of the case, when the indictment was filed, proposed to the Court that after holding the main trial, administering the evidence and evaluating it, the above-mentioned defendant for the criminal offense for which he is accused should be declared guilty and punished according to the law.

A person is banned for misuse of official position

Prizren, March 05, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, the Department of Serious Crimes, by order of the prosecutor, has detained for a duration of 48 hours, the suspect MS, in the capacity of the official of Civil Status Registry in the Municipality of Mamusha, due to suspicion that the same has committed the criminal offense "Misuse of official position or authority" under Article 414 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo.

It is suspected that the same person, using his official position, has enabled some persons - foreign Turkish citizens, to obtain the citizenship of the Republic of Kosovo, disregarding the legal procedures for obtaining the citizenship.

The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren, within the legal deadline, will continue with other investigative procedures for the same.

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The students of "Mehmet Akif" school visited the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren



Prizren, March 27, 2024 - As part of the meetings with citizens, today, the Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren was visited by the students of the fourth grades of Akif" "Mehmet school in Prizren. The students were welcomed by the two prosecutors of the Juvenile Department, Mrs. Sahide Sefa

and Mrs. Merita Kurtishi - Gaka, who informed the students about the work and functioning of the prosecution and how minors are treated before the institutions of justice.

In the second part of the visit, the students had the opportunity to become familiar with the facility of the prosecution and to see what services the prosecution offers to the citizens of Prizren.

The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren welcomes all visits for the purpose of informing and educating primary and secondary school schoolchildren and students.

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Media Release

Prizren, March 29, 2024 - The Basic Prosecution Office in Prizren - Department of Serious Crimes, informs the public opinion that after a long investigative work, by its order and in coordination with the Kosovo Police, after the application of secret investigation measures and surveillance, dated 28.03.2024, arrested the suspects KB, and E.Sh., on suspicion of committing the criminal offense "Unauthorized purchase, possession, distribution and sale of narcotics, psychotropic and analogous substances" from article 267 paragraph 1 related to article 31, as well as "Unauthorized ownership, control or possession of weapons" from article 366 paragraph 1, according to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo.

After conducting a search warrant in the houses and their adjacent facilities, the property of the suspects, KB, E.Sh., and SF, in the house of the suspect E.Sh., the police found and seized quantities of narcotics of the type "Cocaine" weighing about 500 gr. While in the premises of the defendant KB, one (1) type "TT" pistol and about fifty (50) cartridges were found and seized.

By order of the prosecutor, the suspects KB, E.Sh, are detained for 48 hours, while the suspect SF is on the run.

Within the legal deadline, the State Prosecutor will submit a request for the appointment of the detention measure against the suspects KB and E.Sh.

Meanwhile, for the SF suspect, the prosecution in cooperation with the police are conducting intensive investigations for his capture.