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complaint against the head of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption (APC) due to the suspicion of abuse of the official position because he refused to initiate proceedings to determine whether Montenegro's President Milo Đukanović had violated the Law on Prevention of Corruption by not reporting a gift from Atlas Bank in the amount of €16,741.24. 01/02/2019

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MANS filed a request to the Agency for Prevention of Corruption (APC) to initiate proceedings in which it will determine whether public officials Milo Dukanović and Branimir Gvozdenović violated the Law on Prevention of Corruption because there is a suspicion that in their income and property report from 2011 they did not report a revenue from a gift by the President of Atlas Group Duško Knežević, worth tens of thousands of Euros. MANS urges APC to request from public officials to submit a written statement regarding allegations in this request, after which the authorized officer of the APC would conduct an oral hearing to which an authorized representative of MANS will be invited. 07/02/2019

Data by the MANS Investigative Centre and Vijesti showed that the state company Railway Transport of Montenegro (ŽPCG) lost at least €140,000 last year alone due to the conclusion of a contract for the procurement of parts and overhaul of wagons with companies from Serbia whose owners were involved in the so-called Serbian "railway affair" of tender setup and tax evasion. The total value of several public procurement contracts concluded by the management of ŽPCG with these companies over the past few years exceeds €1.4 million.10/02/2019

Bearing in mind that corruption and organized crime continue to be a key obstacle for Montenegro when it comes to the EU integration process, and as the previous years showed that the biggest corruption cases were discovered precisely thanks to the investigative work of journalists, MANS continues to encourage and reward the best investigative journalists in Montenegro. The competition for the best story on organized crime and corruption at the high level is open by the middle of this year. 11/02/2019

MANS filed a criminal complaint against the Democratic Party of Socialists (DPS), its President Milo Đukanović, responsible persons in that party, as well as against several NN persons – DPS activists on suspicion of money laundering, forgery of official documents and violations of the freedom of choice in voting. The reported persons made official documents – financial reports and reports on the financing of election campaigns with false data in which donations received by DPS were not mentioned. 11/02/2019

MANS filed a request to the Agency for Prevention of Corruption (APC) to initiate proceedings against Ivan Brajović, the President of the Parliament of Montenegro, because in his 2014 revenue and property report he hid the fact that €150,000 came from the land sale. according to data from the Real Estate Directorate, Ivan Brajović is no longer the owner of around 4.5 thousand square meters of land in Danilovgrad, while in the contract between him and the company "Free Energy" from Podgorica it is stated that this plot was sold for a total of €150 thousand. 17/02/2019

In cooperation with NGO Green Home and organizations from the region, MANS presented the plan of governments of the countries in the region regarding the construction of small and large hydropower plants. The Government was asked to find a model and protect citizens, terminate onerous contract for small hydro power plants, as well as to include all stakeholders for future energy development in the country, as citizens are becoming hostages to irresponsible and wrong policy. 20/02/2019

MANS Investigative Centre revealed that the Cyprus-based company from which Montenegrin President Milo Đukanović bought his offshore company "Vagor Investment Limited" was involved in numerous money laundering schemes for Russian criminals and tycoons, as well as its director, who is a famous expert in creating complex schemes for tax evasion. 23/02/2019

MANS Public Finance Programme came into possession of documentation pointing to the fact that a few years ago, Bemax company used the state business of reconstruction of Berane-Lubnica road for its private business by installing pipes for the needs of one of the small hydroelectric power plant, which it was building in that area at the time. It is a small HPP "Bistrica", one of six built by "Bemax" in Berane, for which consumers are already paying electricity subsidies. 26/02/2019

The coordinator of public finances of MANS spoke in the TV show "Načisto" as a guest in the studio regarding the announced imposing of new prices of electricity and tariff packages by the Ministry of Economy, which represents another blow to the budget of the citizens of Montenegro and pouring of money into the pockets of tycoons and privileged persons. You can watch the show on why Montenegro pays the most expensive electricity in the region and how consumers will pay for renewable energy at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sfqpi7s-wUo 26/02/2019

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