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As a guest in the show "Načisto" on TV Vijesti, the Executive Director of MANS spoke about: **In what way the judiciary system and the official truth is tailored in Montenegro? What message does the re-election of Chief Special Prosecutor Milivoje Katnić send? Are investigations conducted selectively? What is the state of the Montenegrin judiciary? Why is the truth increasingly being sought through protests instead the institutions of the system? Who are the untouchables, and what is the fate of society without equal application of the law?** - These are just some of the topics that the guests of the show addressed. You can watch the complete show at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gYUZKdenwk&t=28s> 02/07/2020

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For two months now, the Minister of Health has been refusing to submit to MANS the minutes from the sessions of the National Coordination Body for Communicable Diseases (NCB), claiming that his ministry does not have them, although at the end of March, he personally signed the decision on the establishment of that body, of which he is also a member. **At the beginning of the epidemic, NCB also declared itself non-competent to provide information, and referred us to the Ministry of Health, as its founder.** At the same time, the Ministry of Health claims that it does not have any information on the medical equipment purchased by the Government of Montenegro in China for the needs of Montenegro's health institutions, as well as on its distribution. You can read the complete investigative story with all the details at: <http://www.mans.co.me/en/where-are-the-minutes-from-the-sessions-of-the-ncb/> 10/07/2020

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Out of 26 working days, during June and the first half of July, **the officials of the ruling DPS, as state officials, spent as many as 20 days on the field, announcing and opening various projects in almost all parts of Montenegro.** What is represented by the Government as regular state activities was especially intensified after on June 20, the President of Montenegro, Milo Đukanović, scheduled the parliamentary elections. **MANS' analysis shows that this type of institutional support for the upcoming campaign was particularly visible in the capital city, which is also the largest constituency in the country.** You can read the complete analysis with all the details at: <http://www.mans.co.me/en/dps-campaign-at-the-expense-of-all-citizens/> 19/07/2020

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The documentation obtained by the MANS Investigative Centre raises additional suspicions about the existence of an organized scheme for inserting cash through fictitious donations from individuals. Through donations from individuals, DPS has collected close to € 700,000 for the last parliamentary elections alone. Over € 18,000 were paid by 23 employees of the Public Utility Company "Čistoća" from Podgorica, in order to help the election campaign of the ruling Democratic Party of Socialists (DPS) in the eve of the last parliamentary elections in 2016. The scheme discovered by MANS involved the payment of cash in only one branch of the same bank, on the same day and in almost identical amounts. 21/07/2020

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MANS' latest investigative story reveals data showing that, in addition to the employees of Podgorica's Public Utility Company "Čistoća", the workers of the city water supply and sewerage company "Vodovod" and the Fire Department financed DPS' election campaign. **Despite documented cases of illegal financing of election campaigns, when it comes to prosecuting this type of political corruption, Montenegrin State Prosecutor's Office has not had tangible results for years.** See how DPS created the cash injection system in the video: <https://www.facebook.com/nvo.mans/videos/286442742445867/> as well as the story with all the data obtained by the MANS Investigative Centre <http://www.mans.co.me/en/how-dps-created-a-system-for-inserting-cash-all-the-presidents-men/> 23/07/2020

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That institutions are hiding their spending in the pre-election period is indicated by the fact that MANS filed 53 complaints with the Agency for Prevention of Corruption against institutions that hid their spending during the election period. Most of the data was hidden by the Ministry of Economy, the Ministry of Sports and Youth, the Property Administration and the University of Montenegro. **Most of the reported institutions did not publish analytical cards on their spending at all, although they are obliged to do so according to the Law on Financing of Political Entities and Election Campaigns.** In some cases, institutions deleted transaction amounts, information on suppliers and other data, although the Law stipulates that analytical cards must provide accurate and complete categories of information. For now, the Agency has not reacted to the violation of the law. 24/07/2020

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Instead of reforms, amendments to the Law on Voter List have made it essentially impossible to control the voter list after the ruling parties amended the Law while the entire opposition boycotted the work of the Parliament, without any consultation with the civil sector, interpreting arbitrarily and falsely ODIHR's recommendations. **Everyone who is given access to the voter list does so while being supervised by the Ministry of the Interior, whose work they are supposed to control. MANS will not attend the meeting at the Ministry of the Interior, which refers to the voter list, because following the amendments to the Law, we do not have the basic conditions to control the accuracy of that register which is of key importance for the election process.** 27/07/2020

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Despite the "Envelope" affair, but also the recommendations of international experts, the new Law on Financing of Political Entities and Election Campaigns does not provide for criminal liability and a sanction for false accounting. Many segments of the new law are weaker and a step backwards compared to the 2015 regulation, according to analysis by Tilman Hoppe, Senior Advisor for the German Bundestag, independent anti-corruption expert, made for the purpose of MANS' project. Complete analysis and compliance with the recommendations of the previous regulation can be found at: <http://www.mans.co.me/en/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Compliance-of-Montenegro-with-recommendations.pdf> 27/07/2020

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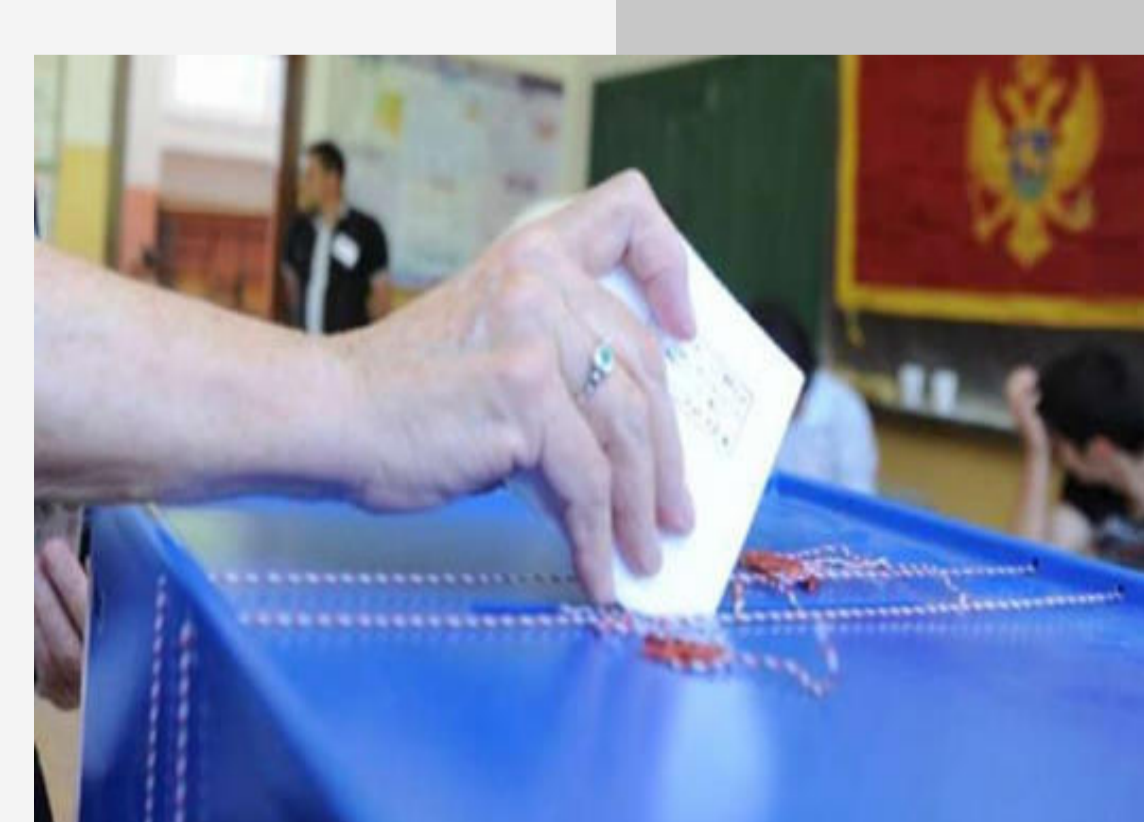
MANS filed a criminal complaint to the Special State Prosecutor's Office against **Milo Đukanović, the President of Montenegro and the President of the Democratic Party of Socialists (DPS), as well as against his party,** all due to suspicion that they had created a scheme of inserting money of unknown origin into the official financial flows of that party in order to finance 2016 election campaign. **Even such State Prosecutor's Office must no longer ignore concrete evidence and well-founded suspicions of political corruption and money laundering.** This is particularly important in the context of the forthcoming parliamentary elections, which Montenegro once again enters under the mortgage of unresolved political corruption scandals. 30/07/2020

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Which companies got valuable jobs, without previously conducted tender, and based on the decisions of the National Coordination Body (NCB), which adopts them behind closed doors and contrary to the public procurement procedure, is given in the latest MANS' analysis. All the money spent contrary to the tender procedure, at least contrary to the one that was communicated with the public, will now be reimbursed from the state budget. **All other state institutions announced tenders for emergency procurements in accordance with the Law on Public Procurement, which was not the case with NCB, which still has over seven million Euros of donations currently at its disposal on its account without any control.** 30/07/2020

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MANS filed complaints with the Agency for Prevention of Corruption (APC) against several TV and radio stations that failed to submit price lists for political advertising within the legal deadline in the pre-election campaign for the parliamentary elections to be held in August this year. Due to this, and in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Financing of Political Entities and Election Campaigns, MANS asked APC to ban them from providing media advertising services during the election campaign as well as to remove all price lists that were not submitted in accordance with the Law, so as not to mislead the participants in the election process, and initiate misdemeanour proceedings in case some of the mentioned media provides media advertising campaign services. 31/07/2020

July in photos



Podgorica - NT park i most - 14 miliona €
Danilovgrad - bulevar - 24 miliona €
Bijelo Polje - turs. kompleks - 19 miliona €
Cetinje - stambena zgrada - 2.5 miliona €
Kotor - pothodnik - 1.6 miliona €

Podgorica - vrtić i klinika - 3 miliona €
Bijelo Polje - subvencije - 834.000 €
Danilovgrad - krediti - 400.000 €
Nikšić - subvencije i oprema - 300.000 €
Žabljak - vodovod - 550.000 €