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Documentation obtained by MANS shows that son of the former influential police and secret service operative Zoran Lazović, as a 19-year-old in 2009, paid 40,000 euros for a vehicle, and four years later, he bought another car for 35,000 euros. The data indicate quite a luxurious lifestyle of children of certain public officials suspected of not being based on real or legal sources of income, which is usually the first indicator of corrupt practices or behaviour. Lazović's name was mentioned in a Europol document on the connections of police officers with the criminal "Kavač clan".

As a guest in the RTCG morning programme, the director of the MANS Investigative Centre commented on the current events that shake Montenegrin security system and the connections of organized crime with the authorities in Montenegro.

You can see the complete appearance at the link below: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8z6oFXPLfN8

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In May 2019, MANS filed a criminal complaint against the President of the Commercial Court, Blažo Jovanić, due to illegal tenders for the sale of the land of JSC Salina Bajo Sekulić in bankruptcy. For months, Jovanić ignored warnings about the illegal behaviour of the bankruptcy trustee of Salina, because the tender offered land that was not owned by the company "Bajo Sekulić", and in the end he stated that "everything is fine". This is not the only affair connected with Jovanić. Controversial decisions he made also relate to Casino Avala in Budva, Uniprom's intention to buy Aluminium Plant Podgorica (KAP), and regarding the operations of the Budva Riviera, as well as EPCG.

Aleksa Stanković, son of the former Supreme State Prosecutor of Montenegro, was photographed in the company of Darko Šarić, a drug boss accused of international smuggling of 5.7 tons of cocaine to Europe and laundering over 20 million euros suspected of being acquired through the sale of narcotics. When asked by the MANS Investigative Centre on what occasion he was in Sarić's company, Stanković did not provide an answer. The photos were taken on April 6 this year in Belgrade, in front of the entrance to the Court of Appeals, where presenting of appeals against the verdict, by which Šarić and his group were convicted of laundering more than 20 million euros, was completed that day. The photos were provided to the MANS Investigative Centre by colleagues from Belgrade's KRIK.

As a guest in the morning programme of TV Vijesti - Boje jutra, the Executive Director of the NGO MANS spoke on all current topics.

The appearance, with a review of the situation in the State Prosecutor's Office and why the scenario of the Government of Montenegro selling smuggled cigarettes from the warehouse of the Free Zone of the Port of Bar is not realistic, is available at the link below: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zpKYaFbUObU 16/05/2022

In an interview with Vijesti on the European Commission's non-paper review of the work of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption, the director of the MANS Investigative Centre points out that the Agency continues to act according to the system of protection of top state officials, which is no longer reserved only for DPS staff. Data from the informal document (non-paper) of the European Commission, which refers to the situation in the negotiation chapters 23 and 24, again testify to the fact that the Agency for Prevention of Corruption continues to be one of the obstacles to a sustainable fight against high-level corruption.

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MANS expect a prompt reaction from the Supreme and Special State Prosecutor's Office after the High Court of Montenegro, made a decision that former mayor of the Capital did not abuse his official position in the sale of city construction land to the company "Carine". "We insist that Acting Supreme State Prosecutor, determine without delay whether there were omissions in the work and investigation, and of course, that the Special State Prosecutor's Office file an appeal against such a verdict. This is a case that is extremely important for the integrity of the new composition of the State Prosecutor's Office and possible highest-level corruption. Any "useful error" and/or "ambiguity" in conducting this investigation should be investigated and severely sanctioned."

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