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MANS analyzed the data on flights by state aircraft that it received from the Parliament of Montenegro under the Law on Free Access to Information. Data show that the wife of the former President of the Parliament flew the state plane 19 times outside of protocol. More precisely, out of 25 flights, she was part of the official delegation of the Parliament of Montenegro only six times. MANS Investigative Centre analysed over 50 flights that were realized for the needs of the Parliament in the period from 2016 to 2021, and the data revealed possible abuses of the state aircraft for private purposes. In the meantime, the Secretariat-General of the Government of Montenegro continues to hide from the public data on flights by the state aircraft Lear Jet 45.

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Two-day XIV National Anti-Corruption Conference was organized by the Network for Affirmation of NGO Sector (MANS), as a part of the marking of the International Anti-Corruption Day. Through several thematic panels, this year's Anti-Corruption Conference was dedicated to areas particularly vulnerable to corruption. On the first day, the focus was on the financing of political entities and election campaigns, free access to information and the area of public procurement, while the second day was dedicated to the proposed reforms of the Law on Seizure and Confiscation of Material Benefit Derived from Criminal Activity. Within each panel, representatives of state institutions and the civil sector, journalists, as well as foreign experts, shared their experiences and recommendations.

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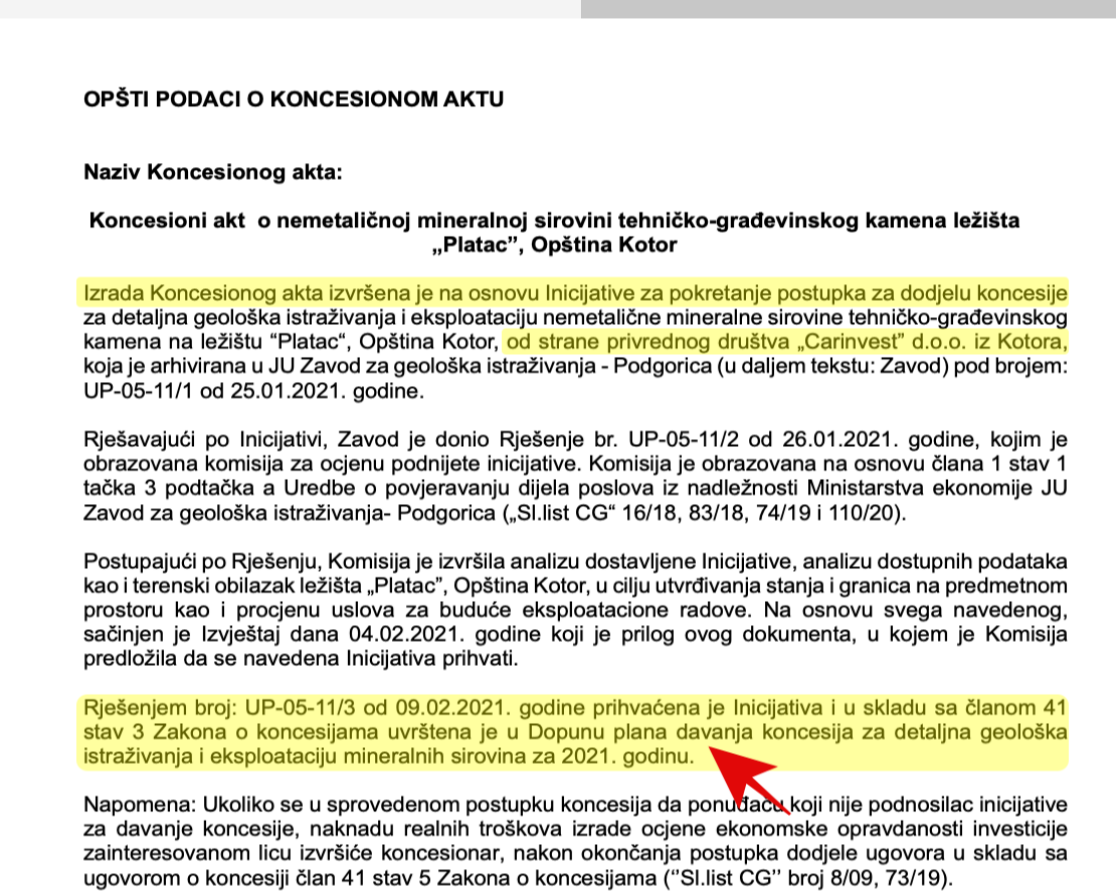
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MANS called on the Social Democrats and the Movement for Changes, parliamentary political parties that have been receiving enormous funds from the state for years and hiding all the information about their finances, to finally disclose information about their funding. Although the leaders of those parties publicly advocate for the transparency of spending citizens' money, at the same time, they hide how they spend significant funds they receive from the state and municipal budgets. In this way, it was hidden from the public in what way 1.8 million euros was spent from public funds, and this kind of behavior further increases suspicions about the legality of their work, considering that they do not respond to requests for information and submit only brief financial reports from which it is not possible to find out even basic things about their business.

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The adoption of the concession act for Krimovica by the Government of Montenegro meant realization of the plan of the Ministry of Capital Investments (MCI) and the Minister Mladen Bojanić to award a 30-year concession for stone exploitation to the company of Marko Carević, the Mayor of Budva, contrary to laws and regulations. A month earlier, MANS warned the Government of Montenegro, MCI and the Minister himself that the manner in which this work is planned is not in accordance with the law, or the generally adopted principle of transparency of state bodies and zero tolerance for corruption. The way in which MCI acts in this business, and the obvious violation of the Law on Concessions, have all the characteristics of the so-called deals made by the previous government that devastated the country's resources.

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DPS only partially responded to over 100 requests for free access to information about its finances submitted by MANS in the past two years, deliberately deleting data on outflows (expenses), but also on inflows to the bank accounts of this party. During 2019 and 2020, the Democratic Party of Socialists (DPS) received around 6.1 million euros from the state budget, while data on their spending are only partially available. In addition, for the observed period, DPS did not publish any data related to transactions through the treasury, i.e. cash payments. Thus, for last year's parliamentary elections, complete data were available for only 13% of transactions.

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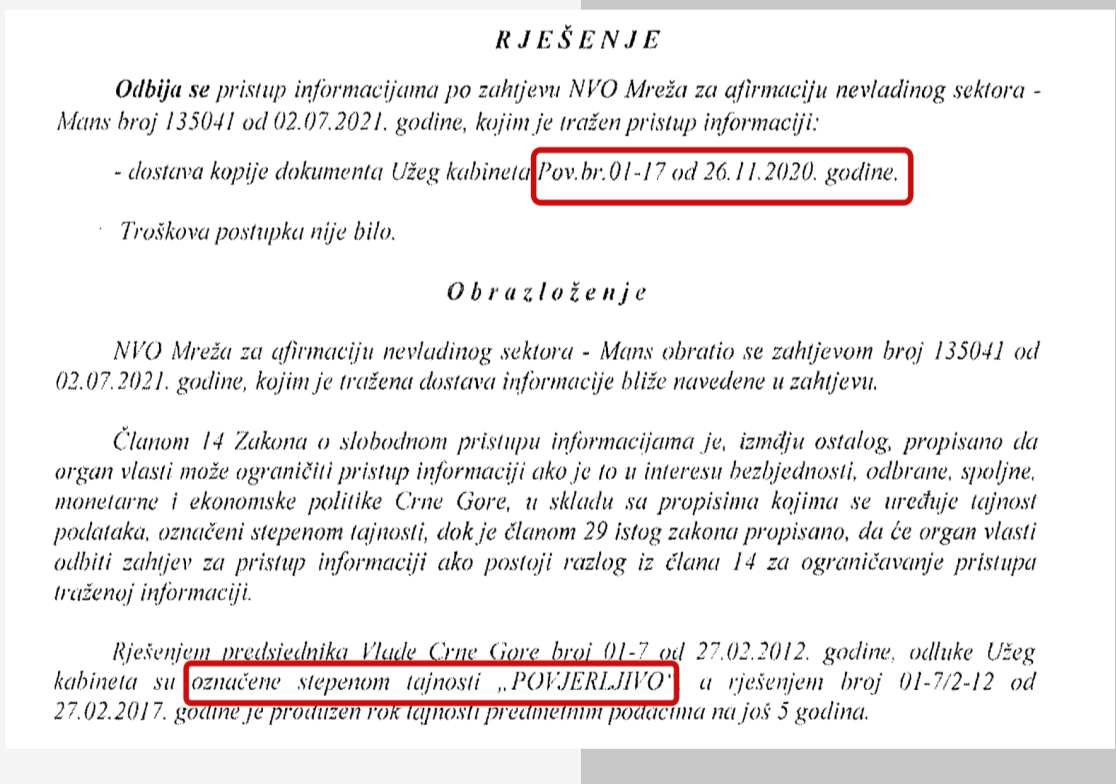
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Started in 2019 as a project of public interest with the support of the Municipality of Ulcinj and the competent Ministry of Agriculture, today, "The Olive House" is a luxury hotel with a restaurant and apartments privately owned, built in the heart of the olive grove in Valdanos, where any construction of this type is strictly forbidden. You can read how the state aid was used for private interest and the complete story done within the project "Support to Investigative Journalism in Montenegro", which is implemented by the NGO MANS with the financial support of the US Embassy in Podgorica through the 2020 Media Professionalization Assistance Program, at the link below: <http://www.mans.co.me/en/state-aid-for-private-business/>

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For more than half a year, the Secretariat-General of the Government of Montenegro has refused to make public a dozen decisions of the inner cabinet of the Government of Duško Marković from 2019 and 2020, some of which were made during the so-called technical mandate of the outgoing DPS government. The decisions requested by MANS refer to payments from the current budget reserve, and it is still unknown what the amounts were. MANS continuously points out that the best international practice dictates that all information on how money from the budget is spent must be available to all citizens, with exceptions that are well defined so as not to leave room for abuses.

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A building paid 8.7 million euros a year ago, bought for the needs of several state institutions, has not been completed or moved into, and the information obtained by the MANS Investigative Centre and "Vijesti" indicates violation of regulations and possible corruption in the purchase of that real estate. According to MANS' documents, the former Property Administration first significantly changed the public call, which could have resulted in the elimination of competition, and then concluded a purchase agreement by violating tender conditions prescribed by the institution itself. You can read all the details on how the tender procedure went in the story on the link below: <http://www.mans.co.me/en/building-rigged-in-favour-of-monstat/>

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## December in photos

