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Saopštenje

povodom skupa Antikorupcijski forum Srbije,
održanog 21. novembra 2012. god.

1. U potpunosti podržavamo mišljenja izneta na plenarnoj sednici, posebno dva stava koja su dala ton čitavom skupu:
 - a. Ocenu ambasadora EU, V. Dežera, da je Srbija tokom poslednjih pet godina ne samo stagnirala, već i nazadovala u antikorupcijskoj borbi, i
 - b. Tvrđnu ministra pravde i državne uprave, N. Selakovića, da prethodni period odlikuje „bujica reči, a mrvica rezultata“.
2. Takođe se slažemo s opštom ocenom, iznetom na panelu „Mediji i organizacija civilnog društva“, da je Agencija postigla nedopustivo malo u ostvarenju ciljeva zbog kojih je osnovana.
3. Želeli bismo da damo traženu podršku Agenciji, ali nam dosadašnje iskustvo ne pruža osnova da joj verujemo. Razlozi naše skepske su, između ostalog:
 - a. Agencija je praktično sve svoje aktivnosti svela na apele za „podizanje svesti“, a kako je i ambasador Dežer upozorio, to je samo deo potrebnih npora.
 - b. Umesto ukazivanja na najveće probleme, Agencija se oglašavala vrlo retko i to skretanjem pažnje na marginalne pojave. Posebno zabrinjava što Agencija nije preduzela potrebne mere iz svoje nadležnosti u zaštiti lekara uzbunjivača koji su ukazali na najveće koruptivne afere u zdravstvu. Takvim ponašanjem Agencija je posredno podstakla sistemsku korupciju u zdravstvu i daljni institucionalni progon svih uzbunjivača.
 - c. Indikativno je da su oba dosadašnja

Announcement

on the occasion of the Serbian Anti-Corruption Forum,
held on 21st November, 2012.

1. We fully support opinions presented at the plenary session, in particular two statements that gave a direction to the whole meeting:
 - a. An estimate of the EU Ambassador to Serbia, H.E. V. Degert, that over the previous five years the country not only stagnated but regressed in its anti-corruptive activities, and
 - b. A standpoint of the Minister of Justice, Mr. N. Selaković, that the previous period was characterized by “an avalanche of words, but a crumb of deeds”.
2. We also agree with the general assessment, as reached at the panel “Media and civil society”, that the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACAS) did unacceptably little in achieving the aims it has been established for.
3. We would like to provide a support ACAS has asked for, but our experience does not give any ground to trust the Agency. Some of the reasons for our scepticism are as follows:
 - a. ACAS practically reduced all its activities to appeal for “raising the awareness”, but as H.E. V. Degert warned, it is just a part of the efforts that are needed.
 - b. Instead of pointing to major problems, ACAS uttered very seldom and even then to draw away attention from true issues to marginal ones. It is particularly worrisome that ACA did not employ measures within its mandate to protect doctors-whistleblowers who uncovered some of the most corruptive affairs in the healthcare system. Such an attitude indirectly enhanced systemic health corruption and further institutionalized persecution of all

- predsednika Odbora Agencije poznata po velikom broju raznih funkcija. Takvo stanje o je u suprotnosti sa principima transparentnosti i otklanjanja rizika konflikta interesa kao osnovnim principima rada Agencije. Osim što onemogućava valjano vršenje poverene dužnosti, akumulacija funkcija navodi na sumnju u lukrativne motive.
- d. Pokušaj pravdanja dugotrajnog lošeg rada „unutrašnjim problemima“, tj. svođenje krivice na zasluženo smenjenu direktorku ne deluje iskreno, jer ona nije mogla da ometa odluke Odbora. Ovakvo objašnjenje pokazuju da u Odboru ne postoji svest o sopstvenoj odgovornosti za postojeću situaciju što izaziva opravdanu sumnju u realne mogućnosti budućeg poboljšanja rada Agencije.
 - e. Celokupno ponašanje Odbora i Agencije ukazuje na pokusaj simulacije borbe protiv korupcije i obmanjivanje građana Srbije i EU.
- c. It is indicative that both Chairmen of the ACAS Board have been known for a large number of functions and duties. Such a state of affairs conflicts the principles of transparency and of removal the risk of a conflict of interests, as basic principles ACAS is based upon. Apart from preventing proper execution of duties, accumulation of functions may imply lucrative motives.
- d. An attempt to justify long-term poor achievements by “internal problems”, i.e., reducing responsibility to the lawfully dismissed director of ACAS, does not appear sincere, since this person could not possibly affect decisions of the ACAS Board. Such an excuse demonstrates that the Board lacks any awareness of its own responsibility, thus raising justified doubts in real chances for any improvement in the future.
- e. Overall behaviour of the Board and ACAS indicates an attempt to simulate the fight against corruption and cheat both Serbian citizens and EU.

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