Republic of Serbia Ministry of Interior Service for Combating Organized Crime Financial Investigations Unit

FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIONS

CONTENT of the PRESENTATION

- MoI R Serbia Financial Investigation Unit – legal framework
- 2. Financial Investigations
- 3. Case Study

Service for Combating Organized Crime
was established in October 2001
main operational units wothin the SCOC are:

- ORGANIZED FINANCIAL CRIME SUPPRESSION DEPARTMENT - CLASSIC ORGANIZED CRIME SUPPRESSION DEPARTMENT

- DRUGS SMUGGLING SUPPRESSION DEPARTMENT

- FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

- HIGH-TECH CRIME SUPPRESSION DEPARTMENT

Financial Investigations Unit



Legal Framework Law on seizure of crime proceeds

- 1. Establishment of specialized unit competent for financial investigations within the MoI R Serbia
- 2. Taks of the Unit: detection of property/assets originating from criminal offence
- 3. Unit acts by the order of Public Prosecutr or Court OR by its official duty

- 4. Financial investigation is initiated when there are ground for suspicion that person owns certain crime proceeds
- 5. FI collects evidences related to properties, licit incomes and expenditures of the accussed, witness collaborator or testator, evidences on the property inherited by a legal successor i.e. compensation by which property was transferred to a third person.
- 6. Priority and confidentiality
- 7. Competencies underlined in p. 18,19,20 of the Law
- 8. International aspect

FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION

Objectives and tasks
FI procedure and flow
Examples
Case Studies

OBJECTIVES AND TASKS of FI

- Detect crime proceeds
- Ground of suspicion that person owns significant crime proceeds
- Collect evidences related to properties, licit incomes and expenditures of the accussed, witness collaborator or testator, evidences on the property inherited by a legal successor i.e. compensation by which property was transferred to a third person

FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIONS



Information

on ground for suspicion that criminal offebce was committed, as well on personal proerty is obtained by / from:

- Operational work of the police (cases, informants, etc.)
- Claims of natural and legal persons
- Anti-money Laundering Administration (suspicious transactions on the basis of indicators, such as big values, structured values, off shore, etc.)
- Other state authorities Tax Police, Customs, Foreign Currencies Inspecorate . . .
- International co-operation liaison officers, Interpol, bilateral co-operation (matching investigations – same objectives)
- Miscellaneous (Internet, e-media and other media, etc.)

Pre-trial procedure

against a person for who there are grounds to suspect that he/she committed criminal offence and collection of data about the property of this person

- Data collection on the basis of legal competencies of the police articles 225, 226, 77, 232, 238, 504lj of Criminal Proceedings Law, etc.
- MoI database
- Collection of data from other state authorities Anti-money Laundering Administration, Tax police, Revenue Administration, Customs, Land Registry, Court registries, etc.
- Data collection from other natural persons, inquiries in companies and financial institutions – banks, insurance companies, etc.
- Special investigative techniques
- Inter-police co-operation
- Internet

Police authorizations (powers)

Withdrawal of documentation (financial flow of the property, etc.)
Interviews of persons
Checks with other state authorities (within the scope of powers)
Etc.

MoI database contains data about:

persons
legal entities
vehicles
weapons
from databases of some other state authorities (Bureau for Statistics, etc.)

Collection of data from other state authorities

- Anti-money Laundering Administration
- 1. Internal data from Administration's database
- data based on the membership to Egmont group
- necessity to form a file
- 2. External data on bank accounts: in which banks accounts are opened, further insight into the account, turnover on the account
- 3. monitoring of accounts' blocking

Tax Administration

 data about inheritance and gift tax, tax on the transfer of absolute rights, revenue tax, data on legal entity, assessment of property's value, tax (taxation) history, etc.

Customs

data about import, export and services, data on legal entities, suppliers – buyers abroad, customs documentation (invoices, UCD, CMR, warranties, vehicles, values, etc.)
RDI – data about employment, incomes, etc. Republic Geodetic Institute, Land Registry Registries of land and immovables - 80% regulated land registry in Serbia Registries of courts/sale and purchase contracts, mortgage, etc. Registries of local administrations (municipalities) – data about paid tax for property, objects, construction licenses (licenses, claims for legalization of property), stage of object construction, inspection reports, etc.

Public Companies and Institutions

Electro power distribution company (Elektrodistribucija),
Telekom,
Public utilities companies Gathering data about legal entities
 money flows, property flows, owneship structure, insight into business, linked legal entities

Data gathering from physical entities

- Financial-economic institutions
- National Bank of Serbia
- Business banks data about accounts of physical and legal entities (orders of Prosecutor, Court or Anti-money Laundering Adm.), transactions, etc.

- Central Secutiries Registry
- Business Registers Agency
- Stock Makret
- Securities Commission
- Use of special investigative measures
- Art. 232 CPC (information about property)
- Operational and intelligence work in the field
- Inter-police co-operation liaison officers, Interpol, bilateral agreements, SECI Center
- Internet

Data about legal and natural entities and their property, etc.

Criminal charge

prosecution of persons for who there is a reasonable suspicion of committing criminal offence and continuation of financial investigations

- Enforcement of investigative judge's orders for search of apartments and other premises, insight into the account of a natural entity, account blocking
- Interview with persons as citizens or suspects
- Submission of criminal charge to the competent Prosecutor's office with other measures defined by the law

Finansijske istrage

Financial investigations

Organized crime



FINANCIAL CRIMINALITY

Traffickin in weapons, human beings, kidnappings, murders Money laundering, corrpution, counterfeits, cyber crime

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Examples - tendencies

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION
 OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS
 EXPERIENCES SO FAR

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

- Mutual legal assistance
- 1. Request of Inv.Judge
- 2. Request of Special Prosecutor

Inter-police co-operation 1. Levels – checks, actions, joint operations 2. Institutions liaison officers, Interpol, bilateral co-operation

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11 February, 2003

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Operational analysis





EXPERIENCES SO FAR...

Time when FI is initiated Significant property VS assets benefit Content of the request for FI Daily communication between Prosecutor and Police Priorities of FI Law and law enforcement Databases Education

