LAW OF UKRAINE

On the principles of prevention and countering of corruption

This Law establishes the basic principles of prevention and countering of corruption in the public and private sectors of public relations, indemnification of the damage caused by corruption offenses, rehabilitation of disturbed rights, freedoms or interests of physical persons, rights or interests of legal entities, interests of the state.

Section I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1. Definitions

1. In this Law:

   Connected persons means a spouse, children, parents, brothers and sisters, grandfather, grandmother, grandchildren, adoptive parents, adopted children and also, other persons, provided that they share the place of residence with the party specified in Part One Article 2 of this Law, and have a shared household therewith;

   Conflict of interest means an actual or apparent contradiction between the private interest and official duties of a person, the occurrence of which may compromise or affect the impartiality or objectivity of decisions, and also, performance or non-performance of actions in discharge of the official duties;

   Corruption offense means an intentional act implying an indication of corruption committed by the person specified in Part One of Article 2 of this Law, for which criminal, administrative, civil and disciplinary liability is established by the law;

   Corruption means the use of authority conferred on the person and the related possibilities to obtain unlawful benefits, or acceptance of such promised/offered unlawful benefits for him/herself or other persons, promised/offered or granted unlawful benefit to such person, or to other physical persons or legal entities at his/her request accordingly, with the purpose of inducing such person to abuse the authority conferred on the person and the related possibilities;

   Unlawful benefit means any pecuniary or other assets, advantages, privileges, services of tangible or intangible nature, promised, offered, rendered or obtained at no cost or at a lower than the minimal market price with no legal grounds.

Article 2. Persons liable for corruption offenses
1. The persons liable for corruption offenses are as follows:

1) the persons authorized to perform public or local self-government functions:

   a) the President of Ukraine, Chairman of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and his/her deputies, the Prime Minister of Ukraine and other members of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Prosecutor General of Ukraine, Chairman of the National Bank of Ukraine, Chairman of the Accountability Office, the Commissioner for Human rights of Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, Chairman of Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea;

   b) people’s deputies of Ukraine, deputies of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, deputies of local councils;

   c) civil servants;

   d) local self-government officials;

   e) military officers of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations established in accordance with the law;

   f) judges of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, professional judges, lay judges and jurors;

   g) the junior and senior staff of interior agencies, tax police, criminal enforcement service, civil protection offices and divisions, State Special Communications and Information Security Service of Ukraine;

   h) officials and personnel of prosecutor offices, diplomatic service, customs service, state tax service;

   i) officials and officers of other government bodies;

2) persons conferred to the same status as persons authorized to perform public or local self-government functions for the purposes of this Law:

   a) those officials of legal entities subject to the public law, who are not included in Item 1 of this Article, but receive their remuneration from the national or local budget;

   b) members of district/territorial and precinct polling station election commissions;

   c) leadership of non-governmental organizations, partially funded from the national or local budgets;

   d) assistants/advisors of people’s deputies of Ukraine and other elected persons other than government employees or local self-government officials, but those remunerated from the national or local budget;

   e) persons other than government employees or local self-government officials, who render public services (auditors, notaries, experts, appraisers, insolvency officers, independent
intermediaries or members of council of conciliation during the settlement of collective employment disputes, arbitrators and other persons as set forth in the law);

f) foreign officials (holding positions in foreign legislative, enforcement or judicial offices, and also other persons performing public functions for a foreign state, in particular, government offices or public enterprises);

g) officials of international organizations (employees of an international organization or individuals authorized to represent such organization);

3) persons, permanently or temporarily holding positions related to organizational, executive, or administrative and economic responsibilities, or persons, specifically authorized to perform such duties at legal entities, and also, physical persons - entrepreneurs;

4) officials of legal entities, physical persons in case they grant unlawful benefits to the persons listed in Items 1, 2 of this Article, or to other persons through the involvement of subject persons;

5) legal entities, in the cases as set forth in the law.

Article 3. The entities taking measures to prevent and counter corruption

1. The President of Ukraine, Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, prosecutor offices of Ukraine shall take measures to prevent and counter corruption within the authority as set forth by the Constitution of Ukraine (254к/96-VR) and laws.

2. Government bodies will take measures to prevent and counter corruption or contribute therein within the authority established by laws and other regulatory and legal acts issued thereupon.

3. Coordination and control over enforcement agencies shall be carried out by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

A special authorized anti-corruption policy entity shall develop the anti-corruption policy, implement the anti-corruption strategy, as determined by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, and also, coordinate the subject activities of central bodies of executive branch.

4. The special authorized entities directly taking measures to detect, deter and investigate corruption offenses (hereinafter - special authorized entities in the area of countering corruption), shall be established by the law.

The special authorized entities in the area of countering corruption shall be special organized crime divisions of the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine, tax police, anti-corruption and organized crime divisions of Security Service of Ukraine, Military Law Enforcement Service of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, unless otherwise stipulated for by the law.

The Prosecutor General of Ukraine and subordinated prosecutors shall coordinate counter corruption efforts of law enforcement agencies within their authority as set forth in the laws.
5. The entities engaged in the prevention, detection, and where established by the law, deterrence of corruption offenses, rehabilitation of disturbed rights or interests of physical persons and legal entities, interests of the state and also, in the information and research support of prevention and countering of corruption, international cooperation in this sphere, are as follows:

1) authorized divisions of public entities;

2) local entities, local self-government authorities of the executive branch;

3) enterprises, agencies, entities, organizations irrespective of their subordination and ownership, their officials and also, the public and public associations with their consent.

6. In case the leadership of public agencies, legal entities and their components, detect a corruption offense or obtain information that such offense has been committed by the staff of government bodies or legal entities, they must take measures to deter such offense and immediately inform a special authorized counter-corruption entity in writing thereof.

Section II
MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COUNTER CORRUPTION

Article 4. Restrictions aimed at the prevention and countering of corruption

1. The persons listed in Items 1-3, Part One, Article 2 of this Law are prohibited

1) to use their official position to gain unlawful benefits or accept a promise/offer of such benefit for themselves or other persons, including:

   a) unlawfully assist physical persons or legal entities with their business activities, receiving subsidies, subventions, grants, loans, privileges, contract execution (including supply agreements of public acquisition of goods, works and services);

   b) unlawfully abet appointment to the position of a person having no advantages against other candidates to this position;

   c) unlawfully interfere with activities of other government, local self-government bodies or officials;

   d) unlawfully give preference to physical persons and/or legal entities in the course of drafting and issuing legal and regulatory acts, decision making processes, approval (endorsement) of conclusions;

2) engage in other business activities involving compensation (except teaching, scientific and creative work, medical practice, training and sports referee practice during off-work hours) directly or via other parties, unless otherwise provided by law;

3) become a member, including through other parties, of administration or supervisory board of for profit enterprises or organizations (unless these persons perform the functions of managing the shares, (stakes, equities) owned by the state, and represent the interests of the state at the company’s
board (supervisory board) or company audit committee, unless otherwise provided by law;

4) fail to provide information to physical persons or legal entities, if furnishing of such information is required by law, or provide false or incomplete information.

The restrictions listed in Items 2-3 Part One of this Article, do not apply to deputies of Verkhovna Rada of the Autonomous Republic of the Crimea, deputies of local councils (unless they carry on their authority on a permanent basis), and also, to the persons listed in Article 2 of this Law.

2. Physical persons and legal entities are prohibited to fund government or local self-government bodies, including financial or non-financial assistance, perform work or render services free of charge, transfer funds and other assets, except in the cases provided for by law and current and duly executed international agreements of Ukraine.

**Article 5. Restrictions applying to accepting gifts**

1. The persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, exercising public functions or functions of local self-government are prohibited to accept gifts, unless otherwise provided by this Law and other laws.

2. The persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, may accept personal gifts, which correspond to generally recognized ideas of hospitality, provided that the value of one each gift does not exceed the amount of one social tax entitlement.

3. The persons listed in Items 1-2 Part One of Article 2 of this Law, shall transfer the gifts they received during official events to the government body, their organization or legal entity where they are employed, within thirty days in accordance with the procedure established by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

**Article 6. Restrictions applying to employment of connected persons**

1. The persons listed in paragraphs "а", "с"-"h" Item 1 and paragraphs "а" - "b" Item 2 Part One of Article 2 of this Law (except lay judges and jurors), cannot have connected persons directly subordinated thereto or directly report to connected persons in exercising their duties.

The person listed in paragraphs "а", "с"-"h" Item 1 and paragraphs "а" - "b", Item 2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law (except lay judges and jurors), must notify the leadership of the agency he/she is seeking employment with, of any connected persons employed by this agency.

2. The corresponding persons and their connected persons shall take steps to eliminate such circumstances, which are non-compliant with the requirements of Part One of this of Article within 15 days upon their occurrence. If they fail to eliminate voluntarily the circumstances within the required period, the corresponding persons and/or their connected persons shall be subject to transfer to a different position, which will exclude direct subordination.

Where such transfer is not possible, the subordinated person shall be subject to dismissal, unless otherwise provided by the law regulating the issues of moral conduct of the persons authorized to
perform government or local self-government functions.

3. The persons listed in paragraphs "a", “с”-"h" of Item 1 and paragraphs "а" - "б" Item 2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law (except lay judges and jurors), are prohibited from involvement in the process of consideration of appointment of connected persons by collegial bodies or influence the decision making process in any other manner.

**Article 7.** Post-employment restrictions applying to persons after they have resigned or seized to perform the government or local self-government functions

1. According to the Law, the restrictions applying to the persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, shall apply for two years upon resignation of such persons or after they duly seize their activities associated with performing the government or local self-government functions, if new positions of such persons in private sector are directly associated with the functions these persons exercised at their former positions.

**Article 8.** Restrictions applying to legal entities, liable on conviction for committing a corruption offense

1. The government or local self-government bodies, legal entities subject to the public law, legal entities funded from the national or local budgets shall not provide any funds or assets to the legal entities, which liable on conviction for committing a corruption offense, within five years after the court decision has come into force.

The legal entities, which liable on conviction for committing a corruption offense, are prohibited to act on behalf of the state or perform any other activities associated with rendering of public services on a contractual basis within five years after the court decision has come into force.

2. The Cabinet of Minister shall establish a procedure for the accumulation and publication of information related to legal entities, liable on conviction for committing a corruption offense.

**Article 9.** Special check of persons seeking appointment to the positions related to performing the government and local self-government functions

1. The persons seeking appointment to the positions related to performing the government and local self-government functions shall be subject to a special check, including checking the information they have submitted personally.

Such special check shall be the responsibility of the principal of the government or local self-government body, in which the person is seeking employment.

Special authorized counter corruption entities and if necessary, other central agencies of executive branch shall engage in the subject special checks.

2. The following information is subject to a special check:

1) criminal records and records of corruption offenses;
2) the accuracy of information concerning the income of the person or connected persons seeking employment with the government, its sources and any obligations of financial nature, including any such obligations abroad;

3) corporate rights, if any, of the person or connected persons;

4) personal information concerning the person seeking employment with the government, including his/her health condition, education, degree, academic rank, training background.

3. Special check shall be conducted within fifteen days with written consent of the person seeking employment with the government at positions, listed in Item and paragraphs "а"-"е" Item 2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law.

In case no consent has been given, the issue concerning such candidacy shall not be considered.

A special check regulation is approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

Article 10. Financial control

1. The persons listed in Item 1 and paragraphs "а"-"е" of Item 2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, must submit information concerning their property, income, expenses, financial obligations, including those they have abroad in accordance with the procedure and in the amount as provided by laws and legal and other regulatory and legal acts issued on the basis thereof.

The procedure for publication of the subject information is determined by the law.

2. In the event a foreign currency account is opened in a non-resident bank, the person listed in Item 1 and paragraphs "а"-"е" of Item 2 Part One of Article 2 of this Law, shall notify an appropriate state tax service office at the venue of his/her residence, specifying the account number and address of such non-resident bank.

3. The person seeking a position, listed in Item 1 and paragraphs "а"-"е" of Item 2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, shall, prior to the appointment or election to an appropriate position, duly furnish information concerning the property, income and financial obligations, including those abroad.

In case the subject person fails to furnish such information, or furnishes false information, such person cannot be appointed (elected) to an appropriate position, or shall be subject to dismissal, if already appointed, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution of Ukraine (254к/96-VR).

Article 11. Codes of conduct

1. General requirements to the conduct of persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, by which they shall be governed in discharge of their duties, the grounds and procedures for their liability in case of violation of these requirements, shall be established by law.

2. The legislation, defining the organization of activities and operational procedures for government and local self-government bodies, specific types of public services or activities of
categories of persons authorized to perform government and local self-government functions, may establish special requirements to the conduct of such persons.

3. The state shall facilitate consolidation of standards of professional ethics and other requirements concerning specific types of activities in codes of conduct for entrepreneurs and other appropriate occupations.

Article 12. Settlement of conflict of interest

1. The persons, listed in Items 1-2 of Part One of Article 2 of this Law, must take every effort to prevent any a conflict of interest.

2. The laws and other regulatory and legal acts defining the authority of government and local self-government bodies, the requirements to rendering specific types of public services related to performing government and local self-government functions, should set forth the procedures and ways to handle the conflict of interest.

Article 13. Anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts

1. A special authorized anti-corruption policy agency (entity) conducts anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts in order to identify the norms, which may result in corruption offenses, in regulatory and legal acts.

The procedure and methodology of anti-corruption evaluation and the procedure for publication of its results are determined by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.

The results of anti-corruption evaluation are subject to mandatory consideration at the time, when decision is taken concerning the issuance of an appropriate regulatory and legal act.

2. The following are subject to anti-corruption evaluation:

Draft laws of Ukraine;

Draft acts of the President of Ukraine, Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, central body of executive branch based on decision of the President of Ukraine, Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and at the request of a central body of executive branch, accordingly.

3. The public anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts may be conducted at the initiative of physical persons, public associations, and legal entities.

The public anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts and publication of the results thereof are funded by appropriate physical persons, public associations, legal entities or by other sources, which are not prohibited by the state.

Article 14. Requirements concerning the transparency of information in private sphere
1. The following information is not confidential and does not constitute commercial or banking secret:

1) concerning the amount and types of charity contributions and other assistance provided to physical or legal persons or received from them by the persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law;

2) the amounts and types of compensation received by the persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law, and also, agreements associated with receiving of gifts by these or connected persons;

3) employment, performance of work, rendering services to the parties connected to the persons listed in Items 1-2, Part One of Article 2 of this Law under civil agreements, unless otherwise provided by law.

Section III
ENGAGEMENT OF PUBLIC IN THE PREVENTION AND COUNTERING OF CORRUPTION

Article 15. Engagement of public the prevention and countering of corruption

1. Public associations and their members or authorized representatives, and also, individuals may engage in activities aimed at the prevention, detection and countering of corruption (unless these are referred by the law to the exceptional competence of special authorized anti-corruption agencies) as follows:

1) engage in activities to detect the facts of corruption offenses and identify the individuals committing such offenses, within the authority defined by law;

2) report the detected facts of corruption offenses to the special authorized counter corruption entities, other agencies listed in Article 3 of this Law, to the leadership and collective of the enterprises, agency or organization where the fact has been found, and also, to the public;

3) duly request and obtain information concerning the efforts to prevent and counter corruption from government and local self-government bodies;

4) conduct and request public anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts, furnish the appropriate government and local self-government bodies with their proposals based on the results of such evaluation;

5) participate in open parliamentary hearings of the issues of prevention and countering of corruption;

6) submit proposals concerning the legislative regulation of relations emerging in the sphere of prevention and countering of corruption to the parties exercising the right of legislative initiative;

7) conduct and request surveys, including scientific, sociological surveys, etc., concerning the issues pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption;
8) conduct activities to inform the public of the issues pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption;

9) conduct public control over compliance with the laws aimed at the prevention and countering of corruption using the forms of control compliant with the current law.

2. Public associations, physical persons or legal entities shall not be denied access to information concerning the competence of the parties engaged in the prevention and countering of corruption and principal areas of their activities.

3. Draft laws and other draft regulatory and legal acts providing for the benefits and privileges to specific business entities, and also, delegation of functions and executive or local self-government authority, including to non-governmental organizations, are subject to publication in official publications of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine within ten days upon their submission by the party exercising the right of legislative initiative, but no later than seven days before review, for their further discussion.

4. The government and local self-government bodies shall consolidate the results of public discussion of draft laws and other draft regulatory and legal acts providing for the benefits and privileges to specific business entities, and also, delegation of functions and executive or local self-government authority, including to non-governmental organizations, and publish them in mass media.

Article 16. Informing the public on the measures to prevent and counter corruption

1. Special authorized counter corruption entities within an appropriate administrative-territorial unit or across the state on the whole, shall publish information concerning the steps taken to prevent and counter corruption and the individuals held liable for corruption offenses by no later than 10 February.

2. In accordance with the procedure established by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, a special authorized anti-corruption policy agency (entity) shall, by no later than 1 April, prepare and publish a report of outcomes of the efforts taken to prevent and counter corruption.

The report should contain the following information:

1) statistical data concerning performance of special authorized counter corruption entities in the area of countering corruption, specifying the following as a mandatory requirement:

   a) the number of reports of corruption offenses committed by individuals that were issued;

   b) the number of convictions or administrative penalties for corruption offenses;

   c) information per each category of persons listed in Part One, Article 2 of this Law, and per all types of liability for corruption offenses;

   d) information concerning the damage caused by corruption offenses, the status and amounts of recovery;
2) the summary of anti-corruption evaluation of draft regulatory and legal acts;

3) information concerning performance of government bodies in the area of prevention and countering of corruption, including within the framework of international cooperation;

4) the results of sociological studies of the issues of spreading of corruption conducted by public and non-governmental research institutions.

**Article 17.** Protection of individuals assisting with the prevention and countering of corruption by the state

1. The individuals assisting with the prevention and countering of corruption are protected by the state.

The state ensures that law enforcement authorities undertake legal, organizational/technical and other steps to protect the individuals assisting with the prevention and countering of corruption and connected persons from unlawful infringement of their life, dwelling, health and property.

2. The state protects individuals assisting with the prevention and countering of corruption in accordance with the Law of Ukraine "On ensuring security of persons taking part in criminal proceedings" (3782-12).

**Section IV LIABILITY FOR CORRUPTION OFFENSES**

**Article 18.** The types of liability for corruption offenses

1. The individuals listed in Part One of Article 2 of this Law, are punishable for corruption offenses by criminal action, administrative, civil or disciplinary action in accordance with the procedure established by law.

2. If criminal action, civil or disciplinary action has been taken for committing corrupt offenses, the information about such individuals shall be entered into the Uniform State Register of corruption offenses within three days after the judgment comes into force or action is taken.

**Article 19.** The specifics of dismissal for corruption offenses

1. If formal charges are filed against a person to initiate prosecution for committing a crime in the area of official duties, or a report of administrative corruption offense related to the violation of restrictions set forth in Items 1-3 Part One of Article 4 of this Law, including in legal entities subject to the private law, has been issued, such person shall be subject to suspension in accordance with the procedure defined by law until such time when the subject matter is reviewed in court, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution of Ukraine (254/96-VR).

2. Early termination of authority at the elected position, dismissal by the President of Ukraine, Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, dismissal of military officials, if prosecuted for corruption offense, shall be in accordance with legislation.
Other persons brought to criminal or administrative liability for corruption offenses related to violation of restrictions set forth in Items 1-3, Part One of Article 4 of this Law, Article 5 of this Law, shall be subject to dismissal within three days after the judgment comes into force, unless otherwise provided by law.

3. In the event of dismissal of persons liable for a corruption offense related to the violation of restrictions set forth in Items 1-3, Part One of Article 4, Article 5 of this Law, the principal of a government/self-government body, enterprise, agency, organization shall notify the court, which issued the ruling of conviction or decided on the administrative penalty for a corruption offense, and a special authorized central civil service body of the executive branch, in writing thereof.

4. In accordance with the procedure established by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, special investigation shall be conducted to identify the cause and conditions resulting in a corruption offense or non-compliance with this Law, at the submission of a special anti-corruption entity or based on the decision of supervisor of the staff, committing such offense.

5. The restriction applicable to the person dismissed for a corruption offense to engage in activities related to performance of public or local self-government functions or similar activities, shall be established solely based on a motivated ruling of the court, unless otherwise provided by law.

**Section V**

**ELIMINATION OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF CORRUPTION OFFENSES**

**Article 20.** Indemnification of the damage incurred by the state due to a corruption offense

1. The damage incurred by the state due to a corruption offense shall be subject to indemnification in accordance with the procedure established by law.

**Article 21.** Unlawful regulatory and legal acts and agreements

1. The regulatory and legal acts and agreements, resulting from a corruption offense, can be cancelled by an entity or official charged with the appropriate authority to issue or cancel such proper acts and decisions, or void through judicial proceedings at the application submitted by interested physical persons, public associations, legal entities, prosecutor, government bodies, local self-government bodies.

2. An agreement executed corruptly, shall be null.

**Article 22.** Rehabilitation of the rights and legal interests and recovery of the losses incurred by physical persons and legal entities as a result of a corruption offense

1. If the rights of physical persons and legal entities have been disturbed and they incurred moral or property damage, they shall be entitled to rehabilitation of their rights and indemnification of damage in accordance with the procedure established by law.

2. The damage caused to physical persons and legal entities by unlawful actions of entities conducting activities to prevent and counter corruption, shall be recovered from the State budget of
Ukraine in accordance with the procedure established by law.

The state, the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, local self-government body, having reimbursed the damage caused by entities conducting activities to prevent and counter corruption, shall be entitled to redress from the entity causing such damage, in the amount of the reimbursement, which has been paid, if the conviction, which has come into force, has identified the corpus delicti.

**Article 23.** Seizure of unlawfully gained property

1. The corruptly gained moneys and other assets shall be subject to seizure in accordance with the procedure established by law, and the value of such corruptly gained services and privileges shall be subject to recovery to the benefit of the state.

**Section VI**

**OVERSIGHT AND SUPERVISION OVER COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE PREVENTION AND COUNTERING OF CORRUPTION**

**Article 24.** Oversight and supervision over compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption

1. The Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and also, the Organized Crime and Corruption Committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the government bodies shall oversee compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption within their powers and in accordance with the procedure established by law.

2. The Organized Crime and Corruption Committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, overseeing the compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption, shall submit an annual report of the status of prevention and countering of corruption in Ukraine to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine by no later than 15 April, which is subject to publication in the official publication of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

**Article 25.** Public control over compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption

1. Public control over compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption shall be based on the grounds and follow the procedure set forth in this and other laws.

**Article 26.** Procuracy supervision

1. The Prosecutor General of Ukraine and subordinated prosecutors shall supervise compliance with the laws pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption.

**Section VII**

**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

**Article 27.** International cooperation in the area of prevention and countering of corruption
1. In accordance with existing agreements, Ukraine shall cooperate with foreign states, international organizations engaged in the prevention and countering of corruption in the area of prevention and countering of corruption.

2. Competent authorities shall provide legal assistance and exercise other types of international cooperation in the matters involving corruption offenses in accordance with legislation and international agreements of Ukraine, which have been rendered mandatory by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

**Article 28.** International agreements of Ukraine in the area of prevention and countering of corruption

1. In the event that the international agreements of Ukraine, which have been rendered mandatory by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, establish other rules than those provided by Ukrainian legislation for the prevention and countering of corruption, the rules of international agreements shall apply.

**Article 29.** International information sharing in the area of prevention and countering of corruption

1. Competent authorities of Ukraine may provide and receive appropriate information pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption, including restricted information, from appropriate foreign agencies in compliance with legislation and international agreements of Ukraine, which have been rendered mandatory by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

2. The information pertaining to the prevention and countering of corruption, can be furnished to foreign agencies solely if subject agencies and the competent authority of Ukraine can establish such mode of access to information, which will exclude disclosure of information for other purposes or its disclosure in any manner, including through unauthorized access.

**Article 30.** Return to Ukraine of gains resulting from corruption offenses and administration of such seized gains resulting from corruption offenses

1. Ukraine shall take measures to return to Ukraine the moneys and other assets gained corruptly, and administer these moneys and assets in accordance with legislation and international agreements of Ukraine.

**Section VIII**

**FINAL PROVISIONS**

1. This Law shall become effective on the date of publication and enacted on 1 January 2010.

2. The following shall become void on 1 January 2010:


3. The cabinet of Ministers shall, within three months after this Law comes into effect:

Submit considerations pertaining to the draft anti-corruption strategy and alignment of legislative acts with this Law for the review of Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine;

Ensure adoption of regulatory and legal acts provided for by this Law;

Align its regulatory and legal acts with by this Law;

Ensure alignment of regulatory and legal acts of ministries and other central bodies of executive branch with this Law.

President of Ukraine  

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