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## **1. Albanian Financial Intelligence Unit (Albanian FIU)**

### **1.1 The status of the Albanian FIU**

The General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering, acting as the Responsible Authority, operates independently according to the Law no.8610 dated 17.05.2000 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering” amended with Law no. 9084, dated 19.06.2003 “For some additional and amendment in Law no. 8610, dated 17.05.2000 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering”, and is accountable directly to the Minister of Finance. The General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering (GDPML) is an independent decision-making authority over the matters within its responsibility, such as money laundering.

The General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering acts as a specialized financial unit to prevent and fight the money laundering and the financing of terrorism. The General Directorate functions as a national center (Financial Intelligence Unit) charged with data set, data analyzing and disseminating for the possible activities of money laundering.

All the employees are recruited under the Civil Servant Law no. 8549 date 11.11.1999.

The Albanian FIU is an administrative unit according to the model defined by Egmont Group.

#### ***Mission***

The FIU Mission is “ to work jointly with our national and international partners, in order to detect and combat money laundering and financing of terrorism activities”.

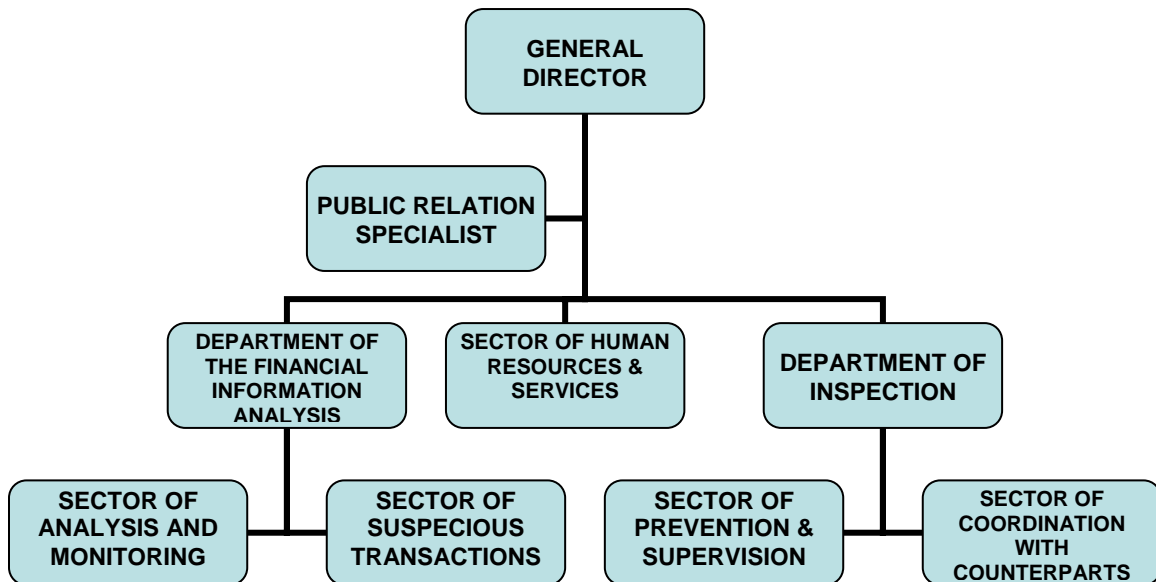
### **1.2 Organization structure and Human Resources**

The Prime Minister with the Decree number 10 date 24.01.2006 “for the approval of the structure and functioning of the General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering”, approved the organization structure of the General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering.

Based on the above-mentioned Decree, the number of the GDPML employees was increased from 10 to 22. There is an essential need for professional trainings, due to the

special job nature, for the new recruited specialists as well as the experienced ones, even though the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, American counterpart, and OSCE, have organized different trainings.

The following is the organization structure of the GDPML. There are 8 (eight) leaders (sector's chief and directors), and 2 (two) specialists for every department's sector, transforming the existing structure in a non-productive one.



#### 1.4 Public relation office during 2006

Since 2005, GDPML has initiated a public awareness campaign with regard to the phenomena of money laundering and terrorism financing. Steps were taken for public awareness towards penalties and administrative measures for non-declaration of cash at the borders and the negative impact of the informal currency exchange markets.

This was considered to be a necessary step after drafting of the National Plan for controlling of the cash movements in the Republic of Albania from the Council of Coordination of the Fight against Money Laundering.

During 2006 the GDPML was committed in the organization of the public awareness campaign, trainings and workshops for the existing law subjects as well as for the subjects that will be included in the new law drafted from the specialists of the partner institutions, under the special care of the International Monetary Fund.

3 (three) workshops have been organized:

1. On the awareness of the second tier banks in regards of the importance of the cash transaction (CTR, transactions over the threshold defined by the law, 20 million Albanian lek) and suspicious transaction report (STR, creating suspicions on the illicit origin of the funds, on the destination etc). This workshop was organized in the beginning of September 2006 for the employees of the Emporiki Bank, in the frame of the implementation of the new software for the Cash Transaction Reports to the Responsible Authority (GDPML). The General Director managed the training together with the analysts that demonstrated a practical fill in of the electronic forms of reporting.
2. Workshop on the investigation of the financial crimes, terrorism financing and money laundering organized by the end of September 2006 from the United States Defense Department of International Legal Studies, in cooperation with PAMECA, ICITAP and OPDAT. The participants were specialists from the GDPML and other partner institutions that work together in the fight against terrorism financing and money laundering.
3. Workshop for the presentation of the final version for the electronically reporting program (AML), the awareness of the reporting subjects, like banks, financial institutions and other and on the importance of this reporting to the GDPML. This workshop was organized by the GDPML, assisted and financed by the OSCE. Most of the second tier banks shared their experience with regard to the electronically reporting. Trainings for the IT experts of the second tier banks have been organized from the GDPML and representatives of INTECH+ Company, which designed and implemented the AML program. Also specialists of the General Directorate of Customs, General Directorate of Taxation, the Central Office for the Registration of the Real Estate, Securities Supervising Authority, Bar Association, Notaries, Albanian Banker Association, etc, took part in the training seminar. The discussions were mainly focused in the reporting methods that will be included in the new law for the prevention of money laundering, the best and the most efficient methods for the inter-institutional cooperation that should be reflected in their reporting to the GDPML as the Responsible Authority for receiving, analyzing and disseminating of the financial information concerning suspected proceeds of crime in order to combat money laundering and terrorism financing. A demonstration of the final version of AML program was performed followed by the discussions of the representatives of the five pilot banks and other reporting subjects.

During the 2006, the GDPML web site has been realized, including designation and the on line publication ([www.fint.gov.al](http://www.fint.gov.al)). This web site beside from the general information on the structure, organization, activity, mission and the objectives of the Albanian FIU, offers also important issues that enable receiving of public information, about these two threatening phenomena of the last years. The Office for the Public Relations as an important part of the GDPML structure (of the new ones that will be approved) is in

charge for the maintenance of the web site, . In this web-site there are also contact addresses or phone numbers that enable the exchanging of non-financial information, the answering of the frequently asked questions and the welcoming of suggestions.

## 2. Inspections, inspected subjects and proposed measures

The re-organization of the Albanian FIU, as an urgent need for making the structure more responsible in identification, awareness and obligation of the reporting subjects according to the law requirements gave more competences to the Inspections Directorate.

The objectives of the Albanian FIU in this regard are to focus on the submission of the Cash Transaction Reports (CTR) and Suspicious Transaction Reports (STR). This is enabled through planning and implementing on-site inspections and filling up the inspection report.

Between January and December 2006, based on the inspections program and the assistance given to the reporting subjects, inspections were carried out as follows:

No.	Subject	Total of the Subject	No. Of inspected subjects	Inspection in %
1	Customs Authorities	23	14	60.8
2	Games and casinos	49	9	18.3
3	Insurance Companies	12	4	33.3
4	Exchange Offices	48	5	10.4
5	Means of Transport Trade	12	12	100
6	H.I.D.C.I.P.	37	10	27
7	Non-profit Organizations	-	16	-
8	Travel Agencies	117	26	22.2
9	Taxation Authorities	37	4	10.8
	<b>Total</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>100</b>	

The inspectors of GDPML during the in-site inspections in these 100 entities faced and verified the following problems concerning:

## 3. Statistics of the received reports

### 3.1 Reports sent from the GDPML to the General Prosecutor, Ministry of Interior, etc, for further follow-up procedures

No.	Description	Year 2006
1	To the Bank of Albania	19
2	To the General Directorate of Taxation for tax evasion	8
3	To the Police for investigation	11
4	To the Prosecutors Office	3
	- for money laundering	2
	- terrorism financing	1
5	Convicted (money laundering)	0
6	Under judgment	0
7	<b>Measures taken:</b>	
	<b>1. Freezing orders</b> (assets, real estate, investments):	8
	- Money laundering	
	- Terrorism financing	0
	<b>(additional orders)</b>	8
	<b>2. Frozen bank accounts</b>	7
	- Money laundering	0
	- Terrorism financing	7

Only the cases with sufficient suspicious elements or evidencies to commence a lawsuit or further investigation for money laundering or terrorism financing have been referred to the General Prosecutor's Office.

The cases referred to the Criminal Police (the Directorate for the Fight against the Organized Crime) in the Ministry of Interior are related to the ones needing police investigations and other elements before handing it over to the General Prosecutor for lawsuit. After the police investigation is completed, the lawsuit to the prosecutor may be done by the police notifying the Responsible Authority (FIU) or through the last one without excluding the case of cooperation. Except of these cases, other ones, tax evasion, have been submitted for further investigation, or other cases for non-licensing in the Bank of Albania.

### 3.2 With the Bank of Albania

During the 2006, have been sent 19 reports a) 16 for attention to the second level banks for deficiencies in filling up the STR and SAR forms and b) 1 report for ceasing the money exchange activity for non-licensed individuals, c) 1 report on some suspicious bank transactions of an Albanian citizen d) 1 report on some suspicious bank transactions of a company.

The remarks done to the second level banks were related to the mistakes in filling up the STR and SAR forms, delays in submitting to the GDPML and also changing too often the contact person in these banks. Considering that the cooperation with the second level banks has been a good one in the framework of the prevention of money laundering as well as for the fight against terrorism financing, the GDPML has organized meetings with



all the contact persons discussing all the deficiencies in filling up the STR and CTR forms, also the difficulties faced from the banks in the legal framework. Except the direct contacts with some banks, trainings have been organized with the staff in charge with the prevention of money laundering and terrorism financing. In the training workshops, (organized with the First Investment Bank and Emporiki Bank) is explained the existing law for the prevention of money laundering, the law for the measures against the terrorism financing, bylaws and regulations for their implementation, the ways of filling up the form and the indicators in the cases of the suspicious activities. Also in these workshops to the bank staff was introduced the role of the Financial Action Task Force and its 40+9 recommendations.

### 3.3 With the General Directorate of Taxation

During the 2006, 8 cases are referred to the General Directorate of Taxation, for tax evasion and income hidings, 4 companies and some physical persons (Albanian citizens).

The above-mentioned cases have been referred to the General Directorate of Taxation as the result of exercising non-licensed activities, profits from the non-declare sources in the tax authorities, tax evasion and cash transactions.

### 3.4 With the General Directorate of the State Police

During the 2006, 11 cases, for incomes coming from illegal sources, have been referred for further investigations, all the cases being for Albanian citizens.

## 7.2 – Received reports from the law enforcement subjects for the Prevention of Money Laundering

Nr	DESCRIPTION	CTR 2005	CTR 2006	SAR 2005	SAR 2006
2.1	Banks	26869	46507	6	14
2.2	Other institutions	123	5	21	1
2.3	Taxes		1	16	
2.4	Customs (cross border cash declaration )		114	33	
2.5	Registration Office of Real Estate Properties		0	13	
2.6	Bank of Albania		3		
2.7	Ministry of Interior			18	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26992</b>	<b>46630</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>15</b>

### 7.3 Inspections.

No.	Type of subject	Year 2005	Year 2006
1	Customs authorities	-	14
2	Gambling and Casinos	-	9
3	Insurance Companies	11	4
4	Exchanges Offices	-	5
5	Trade of Vehicles	-	12
6	Registration Office of Real Estate Properties	-	10
7	Non-Profit Organisations	-	16
8	Travel Agencies	-	26
9	Tax Authorities	-	4
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100</b>

## 8. International Cooperation

### 8.1 Cooperation with the International Organisations

Considering the nature, danger and the global threatening of the money laundering the terrorism phenomena, to the albanian reality as well as to the throughout the world, we need to intensify the endeavours in our common goal. In this framework, the Albanian FIU cooperates with the international bodies which have given their assistance in improving the legal framework on the prevention of money laundering and terrorism financing.

During the 2006, the following international cooperations, took place:

- With the American Treasury Department, through its representative as the adviser near to the premises of the G.D.P.M.L.  
The representatives of the International Monetary Fund, also have given their assistance through a special mission with a particular focus in improving the legal framework on the prevention of money laundering, into full compliance with 40+9 Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and with

- the recommendations of the Third Round of the Select Committee of Experts on the Evaluation of Anti Money Laundering Measures (MONEYVAL).
- With the Organisation for the Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), with the Delegation of the European Community presence in Albania (EC), in the framework of the invitation for participating in the Working Group headed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), concerning the above-mentioned issues.
  - Meanwhile, with the Police Assistance Mission of the European Community in Albania (PAMECA), consisted in providing guidance in editing the translation of the Law no 8610, dated 17.05.2000 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering” after the proposed amendments by the Working Group.

### ***The Cooperation with the Egmont Group***

At this time, the Albanian FIU, is a member of the Egmont Group, since the 23 July of 2003 (during the 11<sup>th</sup> Plenary Session of the Egmont Group held in Sidney, Australia). Taking into account this fact, the membership in this group that represents a international organisation aiming the cooperation and the exchanging the information in the prevention of money laundering area and terrorism financing area, enables the exchange of the financial intelligence information with the foreign intelligence agencies. Therefore, during January-December 2006, we have sent to the other FIUs 32 request for information and we have received a total of 33, related to these individuals or companies that have provided their incomes from the illicit activities such as the money laundering and terrorism financing and after this, to make use of them for hiding the traces through the investments in the bussines activity or in others manners. The exchange of information is been provided through the everyday cheching of the Egmont Secure Website (ESW), to keep informed with the updated events and all the necessary information about this field, which are published in this “website”.

In this framework, the cooperation has been enhanced as a result of the signed international agreements between the Albanian FIU and the counterparts. We have signed a total of 26 Memorandum of Understanding and for the year 2007, we intent the signature of a such memorandum with the following FIUs:

FINTRAC	–	Canada
MASAK	–	Turky
IMPA	-	Israel
AUSTRAC	–	Australia
UIC	–	Italia
CFCI	–	Greece
JUOBA	–	Luxembourg
MOT	–	Netherland
UAF	–	Paraguay

The australian FIU (AUSTRAC), has shown its interest for the signature of the Memorandum of Understanding betwen two our FIU. Concerning the cooperation with the turkish FIU (MASAK), there is a progress and the signature of the MOU will be finalized after their new draft-law AML/CFT pass at the Turkish Grand National

Assembly. The procedure of the signature of a such memorandum, will be initiate when this draft-law it comes into force.

Our counterpart of Israel (IMPA) and Paraguay (UAF), are glade to receive our proposition for signing the MOU with the Albanian FIU. On the other hand, problems with the neighboring countries such as the Italy and Greece occurred.

### ***Inter-institutional Cooperation***

In the framework of the inter-institutional agreements, started in 2002, with the signing of the MoU

“On the inter-institutional co-operation for the fight against money laundering”, between the Ministry of Finance (represented by the GDPML as the Responsible Authority for the fight and prevention of ML/TF) and the Ministry of Interiors, General Prosecutor, Bank of Albania and the Albanian Intelligence Services.

On 28 of April 2006, a MoU was signed between the GDPML and the HIDCA. This MoU enables a mutual co-operation between these institutions which consists in: accelerating the legal procedures for the cases of verifications of the banc accounts, assets and the other properties abroad; the coordination of the actions between the High Inspectorate of the Control and Declaration of the Assets and the General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering. With the other counterparts, according to the Law “On the Prevention of Money Laundering”; the coordination and the collection of the data related to the banc accounts, assets, properties and the financial duties of the Politically Exposed Persons (PEP).

## **9. The improvement of the legal framework**

The new draft-law “On the Prevention of Money Laundering” it has finalized in cooperation with the representatives of the International Monetary Fund, headed by Mr. Terence Donovan. Following to the Order issued by Minister of Finance, for this draft-law, the representatives of the all collaborating institutions such as: the General Prosecutor Office, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Interior, Bank of Albania, and also to the representatives of the US Treasury Department, have been worked it on, in order that this draft-law is to be represented for approval in a more completed form and in accordance with the necessities in Albania.

The new draft-law with the proposed amendments, will incorporate all the recommendations of the IMF, MONEYVAL Committee, US Treasury Department, into full compliance with the Egmont Group Standards and with FATF 40 +9 Recommendations. This draft-law, it is expected to be enacted within the second six month of the 2007. The relevant amendments of this draft-law consisted in:

- Widely clarifying its activity area, aiming to prevent and laundering the proceeds that come out from the penal acts, in the economical and financial area, as well as to the businesses and non-financial business and professions.
- Increasing of several notions and concepts such as: “fund”, “terrorism financing”, “beneficial owner”, “Politically Exposed Person”, “Value or Money Transfert Service”, “Correspondent Banking Service”. There are represented as new legal definitions, that are inexistent in to the current law.
- Increasing the non-banks subjects, that are considered as tangibles from the money laundering phenomena, gambling and the casinos in all their forms, included the internet as the subject of thos law, the duties of the high level administration of the subjects, in accordance to this law. These two important functions, are added as settlement of the requirments of the third Directive of the European Parliament.
- Increasing the “Customer Due Diligence”, not only in the contractual area, defined in the existent law.
- Changing the threshold of the report, carrying out the transactions in cash, in an amount equal to, or greater than 1,500,000 Leke, and to all the wire transfers, in an amount equal to or greater than 6,000,000 Leke, or its equicalent in the hard currency (carrying out as a single transaction or as transactions linked with each other).
- Increasing the duty of the subject, on CDD, if they constat that the client is “Politically Exposed Person”.
- Improving the legal framework for not abusing the professional secret or its privileges.

## **10. Improvment of the Information Technology**

Part of the GDPML structure, is also the IT specialist, taking care of the hardware and software maintenance, as well as the administration of Anty-Money Laundering database program (the reporting system electronacly) recently installed in GDPML.

The GDPML, has not an IT infrastructure, but only a AML database located in a server recently installed. The access to the Internet, it has provided only for two computers, the first one located in the Director Office and in the second one that enables the exchanging of the information with the counterparts and public relations. For the future, we intent to install an internet network in order to enable the exchanging of information from the AML database to the different users of this network. There is a defency of the hardware, due to the fact that mainly of the specialists, do not have an compiuter in their possession.

The CARDS project of 2004 foresse to install:

- the sofiticated hardware in GDPML, in order to implement the IT project.

- an internal network (that enables the communication between the different PC within the GDPML, the communication PC server, to keep the AML database, or to the others PC and hardware such as the printer, etc. This network, will be composed by two LAN, the first one will have access to the internet, and the second one only to the internal network).
- External network with the partner institutions and the reporting subject under this law (within the GOV.NET network). The implementation of this project, will start with:

CARDS 2004 project has a timeframe of two years, enabling the implementation of the IT project under the financing of the European Community, as well as providing three years of technical assistance after the working process is concluded.

From the fruitful cooperation between GDPML and the reporting subjects, especially to the second level banks, resulted that recently, the reporting threshold (CTR+SAR), has been increased. This reporting, from the beginning date, in 2001, is carried out completely in hard copy, that has created a lot of difficulty in the correct registering also efficiently analyzing of the data.

The “Anti-Money Laundering” program, has been started by the INTECH+, Company, financed from the OSCE in 2003. After the designing, based upon the CTR+SAR templates defined from the law on the Prevention of Money Laundering, the program has been previously installed and experimented in the premises of the GDPML.

After the pilot project, the AML software installation, will be expanded in 12 other second level banks. This step will start in March of 2007 and will conclude in September of this year, including the necessary period of time and extension of the program results. The AML program, it is in the possession of the GDPML, and it is provided to make use of it, free of charges, to all the reporting subject. From February until March of 2007, it is foreseen that the reporting near to the GDPML from the five second level banks participating in the pilot project, will be electronically carry out.

The AML program, or a similar program (an modern option), will serve for the reporting of CTR+SAR from the reporting subject, according to the definition of the law. The reporting subject, have not yet decided the time of the implementation, before the conclusion of the project in the second level banks, and the improvement of the existing program, aiming the adapting with the necessities and possibilities in communicating between the reporting subject and GDPML.

## **11. The main objectives for the working strategy of the year 2007 of the General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering**

During the year 2007, the General Directorate for the Prevention of Money Laundering, aiming the achievement of the important objectives, including those incompleting objectives during the year 2006.

The above mentioned objectives are:

### **11.1 Inspections**

- To the Tax Authorities,
- To the National Agency of Privatisation ,
- To the Insurance Companies,
- To the Customs Authorities, Local Office of the Real Estate Properties Registration and to the Central Office of the Real Estate Properties Registration (in the framework of the including of these subjects in the new draft-law, as reporting subjects near to the Responsible Authority),
- To the Exchanges Value Offices,
- To the Travel Agencies,
- To the Gambling and Casinos,
- To the second level banks (further to the cooperation with the Bank of Albania, based on the mutual inspections in these law subjects),
- To the Notaries and lawyers ( in the framework of the including of these subjects referred in the new draft-law, as reporting subjects near to the Responsible Authority),

In order to verify the implementation of the duties, according to the law no. 8610, dated 17. 05. 2000 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering”, amended, to the law no. nr.9258, dated 15.07.2004 ”On the Measures against terrorism financing” as to the other legal acts issued. Punishments are foreseen when the reporting subject, will not fulfill these duties. This objective, will carry out from the specialists of the Directorate of Inspection.

### **11.2 Identification, verification and the analyze of the financial information (received from the reporting subject according to the law, from the other partner institutions or from the counterparts)**

- The analyze of the cases that our FIU, will receive during the year 2007 and the analyze of those incompleting during 2006, that have indicators for money laundering and terrorism financing,

- The analyze of the Currency Transaction Report (CTR), (for those that will be represented an interest in the field of monitoring and analyzing transfert, an additional enquiry will be carry out from the reporting subject and the law enforcement agencies, regarding to each case, in order to clarify the source of incooms).

In order to intensify and making the analyze deeper, to increase the referred cases to our partner institutions, such as: the General Tax Authority, General Prosecutor, Ministry of Interior as well as the cooperation with our counterparts. This objective will be carry out from the specialists of the Directorate of Analyzing Information.

**11.3 Strengthening the inter-institutional cooperation and increasing the cooperation with the reporting subject and the law enforcement agencies** (through the exchanging information, quickly, correctly and effectively), the work will consisted in :

- Organizing the meeting of the Technical Working Group (The inter-institutional cooperation Group)
  - Following the implementation of the national program, to eleminate the non declaration of cash in the cross border in collaborating with the General Directorate of State Police, General Directorate of Taxation, General Directorate of Custom and with the other institutions.
  - Following the rreferred cases to the Office of General Prosecutor, Ministry of Interior, General Directorate of Taxation, General Directorate of Custom
  - Exchanging the information with all the partner institutions for preparing the cases in a more completed and cleared form, for the law enforcemet agencies, in order to take the necessary measures.
  - Contiunity of the mutual program of the inspections in the second level banks with the coolabotoin of the Bank of Albania, as well as the beginning of an inspection mutual program with the General Directorate of the Custom, aiming a training of the Central Units near to the customhouse.

In this framework, we intent to increase the cooperation between the specialists of the two our Directories and to all partner institutions.



#### **11.4 The extension of the AML program in the 12 second level banks**

- installation and experimentation of the program in the center and in their branches  
electronacly reporting only
- receiving electronacly the reports

These objectives will be achived from the IT specialist of the GDPML, that will continue the work in designing and implementing the information technology infrastructure, as well as the begenning of the twin project in the frame of the CARDS 2004 Program.

#### **11.5 The cooperation**

- Aiming the signature of a MoU with the foreign intelligence agencies, subject to their legislation, ( taking into account the suggestion for the cooperation in exchanging information from the Directorate of Analyzes). These countries, are as follows:
  - ✓ Italia,
  - ✓ Greece,
  - ✓ Australia,
  - ✓ Israel,
  - ✓ Paraguay,
  - ✓ Poland,
  - ✓ Turkey,
  - ✓ Unitad Arab Emirates.
- Reviewing the signature of the inter-institutional agreements with the law enforcement agencies, after the coming into force of the new draft-law for the prevention of money laundering ( and the bylaws according to this law), drafting the legislation based upon the prevision of the new law on the prevention of money laundering, related to all the law enforcement agencies. The signature of the MoU with the Anti Corruption Department, near to the Council of Ministers.

- The signature of the MoU with ALUIZNI.

### 5.3 Received Reports from the law enforcement agencies

Following the law on the prevention of money laundering, all the law subjects, are obliged to report to the FIU as the following:

1. The reporting subjects, according to the article 3 of the law, report for every suspicion on money laundering and financial transaction above 20 million leke.
2. Customs entities, according to the article 10 of the law, report for every transaction of a suspicious activity and in the cross border units for the possession of the traveller's cash, above 1 million leke.
3. Tax authorities, according to the article 10/1 of the law, report for every transaction of a suspicious activity.
4. The competent authorities that deliver license to the physical and juridical persons, according to the article 10/2 of the law, report for every suspicion on money laundering and financial transactions above 20 million ALL.

<b>Nr</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>	<b>FTR 2006</b>	<b>STR 2006</b>
2.1	Banks	<b>48580</b>	<b>13</b>
2.2	Other Institutions	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
2.3	Tax Office	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
2.4	Customs	<b>142</b>	<b>0</b>
2.5	Real Estate Properties Office	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
2.6	Bank of Albania	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
2.7			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48731</b>	<b>14</b>

### **Received Reports from banks**

During the year 2006 have been sent **48 731** STR, according to the legal obligations Beside the year 2005, this amount has been increased and the monthly sent reports, are as follows:

#### **FTR 2006**

<b>No</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Amount per month</b>
<b>1</b>	January	4445
<b>2</b>	February	4088
<b>3</b>	March	3653
<b>4</b>	April	3446
<b>5</b>	May	3783
<b>6</b>	June	2798
<b>7</b>	July	4047
<b>8</b>	August	4752
<b>9</b>	September	3826
<b>10</b>	October	4508
<b>11</b>	November	4060
<b>12</b>	December	5325
	<b>Total</b>	<b>48731</b>

During the year 2006, according to the legal obligation 14 STR (suspicious transaction report) have been sent.

These STR are as the result of the directly contact, with the representatives of the Analysis Directory, and the representatives of the second level banks, after the training courses organised with the employess from some banks and the raised this concern from the General Director of the GDPML during the Inter-Institutional Technical Work Group for the prevention of the money and the terrorism financing .

During the year 2006, from the Law enforcement agencies, have been sent 5 (five) request for the further follow-up procedures, that were considering as Financial Transactions Report (FTR)

### **Received Reports from Tax Office**

During the year 2006, from the Tax Office, has been sent 1(one) FTR (for further follow-up procedures), according to some violations. Normally, the Tirana Branch Tax Office, must execute legal procedures aiming the filling up of the suspicious information form hereby supervisory authority, which is General Directory of Tax Office

We emphasize that collaboration with General Directorate of Taxation break off wistful to some directions or to some point:

1. The central unit that is recognizing as supervisory authority, it has not functioned according to the legal duties for the prevention of money laundering.
2. Some delays for some information delivery by them, requested by GDPML.
3. Deficiency of the suspicious transactions reporting (STR).

**Received Reports from General Directory of Costumes**

During the year 2006, Customs entities, according to law-abiding measures, report for every transaction of a suspicious activity and in the cross border units for the possession of the traveller’s cash, above 1 million lek. Wuold point,that we didn’ recive any STR deliveredy by Costumes Authority and the Supervisory Central Unit did not function aibiding-law acording the Law no 8610 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering “ dated 17.05.2000 ammended.

Didn’t functioned Supervisory Authority (Contact Person) according to the criterions (standards) well-defined by the Law no 8610 “On the Prevention of Money Laundering “ dated 17.05.2000 ammended.

We didn’t recive any STR from Costumes Authority although GDPML had inspected and all ours extended requests for reporting suspicious cases defined with directive of the Minister of Finance.

During this year have been recived 142 Reports from Albanian Costumes, that 14 from them are illegible. One hundred twentyeghty ( 128) reports were recived from Rinas Costumes evidencing as the following.National Transport Entry havn’t been completed correct.Some parts of this entry haven’t been completed or let say that haven’t been completed correct.

**Cash Entry at the Albanian Costumes Authority**

No serial	costumes	No.of entry
1	Rinas	115
2	Kakavije	2
3	Vlore	8
4	Shkoder	3
	<b>Amount</b>	<b>128</b>
	<b>Illegible FTR</b>	<b>14</b>

	<b>TOTALI</b>	<b>142</b>
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Would point, in spite of CTR and entry value, the currency's quantity put out in thefurtively way is notably.

Cash Entry to the Foreign Costumes Authority

No. Serial	Costumes Authority	No.of entry
1	Bulgaria	319
2	Greece	14
3	Italy	86 (person)
	Italy	1 (l.l.c)
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>420</b>

During 2006, according the programe “prevention of Cash many transport in check point” from Albanian State Police there are identified and reported to Albanian FIU two cases; 1 kosovar citizen and 1albanian citizen.

**5.4 The Reports taken from Central Office of Real State Proprieties (CORSP)**

Durin 2006, from CORSP there is not reported no any PTR. Even inspection done from Inspection Departamnet od Albanian FIU and direct contacts of General Director trying and sensibilasing authorities to run the law and to report FTR, their negligence has delay and sabotage the work and results of Albanian FIU.

After notes done from AFIU on delays for freezing of Loxhall shpk assets, after the Order of Minister of Finances, from AFIU there are done many efforts to organise and setup the Unit of ‘the contact person’ and compiling internal regulation. Still CORSP is not active and is not reporting any PTR and FTV.

**6 – information sharing with legal subjects and other institution apointed by law to collaborate with AFIU.**

**6.1 Information shared from NIF with other agencies.**

No	Descriptions	Requested informations during the year 2006	RequestingInfor mations during the year 2006
2.1	Seconds Banks	1763	1615
2.2	General Directory of Tax	97	76

	Office		
2.3	General Directory of Costumes Office	8	8
2.4	Interior Ministry	50	30
2.5	S.I.S	28	10
2.6	CIPRE	65	53
2.7	ILDKP	2	2
2.8	Bank of Albania	2	2
2.9	Ministry of Justice	0	0
3.0	Comercial Register Office	4	6
3.1	Prosecutor's Office	37	38
3.2	Ministry of Finance, Kabinet, M. Foreign Affairs j	16	15
3.3	Counterparts & A. A.	32	32
3.4	Ministry of Economy	3	0
		2107	1893

For information sharing the Directory of Analise has function according the Law of Anti Money Laundering and against financing terrorism and into the Law of Document clasiffication "State Secret".

- Law no.r. 8610, date 17.05.2000 "Prevention of Money Laundering" revised and its guides.
- Law no.9258, date 15/07/2004 "Masures against terririsme financing" and its guides.
- Law no.8457, date 11.02.1999 "For clasified information" i recomplied and its guide.

After notes done and training of the staf od the Directory of Analise, the quality of information sharing with other subjects and agencies is increased.

**The list of practics in the Dierectory of Analise during 2006 calendaric year.**

Practics		
Total	On process	To be activated
233	88	145

Due to notes of General Director of AFIU to increase the quality of archiving, we are in proces of finishing those practices

**7 – The comparision with 2005 calendaric year.**

### 7.1 Raports sent from AFIU to the Prosecutor, MoPO, etc,

No	Description	Year 2005	Year 2006
1	To BoA	0	19
2	To DPT non declaration of incomes	0	8
3	To State Police for further investigations	10	11
4	Denounce to the Procsecutor	11	3
	- Money lundering	4	2
	- Financing of Terrorism	7	1
5	Te denuar (money lowndering)	0	0
6	In Process	0	0
7	<b>Mesaures:</b>		
	<b>1. Orders for frozen of</b> (assets, propertie, investments):	7	8
	- Money lundering	0	0
	- Financing of Terrorism	7	8
	<b>2. Frosen Bank Accounts</b>	12	7
	- Money lundering	0	0
	- Financing of Terrorism	12	7

### 7.2 – reports taken from other agencies partners of AFIU

No	Description	RTV 2005	RTV 2006	RAD 2005	RAD 2006
2.1	Banks	26869	46507	6	14
2.2	Other Institutions	123	5	21	1
2.3	Taxation Agencies		1	16	
2.4	Customers (statement of cash in check point)		114	33	
2.5	(CORSP)		0	13	
2.6	BoA		3		
2.7	MoPO			18	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26992</b>	<b>46630</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>15</b>

### 7.3 Investigations

No.	Activity  Description	Year 2005	Year 2006
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<b>1</b>	Customers Agencies	-	14
<b>2</b>	Gambling Companies	-	9
<b>3</b>	Insurance Companies	11	4
<b>4</b>	Exchange Offices	-	5
<b>5</b>	Representatives of Cars Producers	-	12
<b>6</b>	<b>(CORSP)</b>	-	10
<b>7</b>	NGO-s	-	16
<b>8</b>	Travell Agencies	-	26
<b>9</b>	Taxation Agencies	-	4
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>100</b>