



Working Arrangement
on the cooperation between the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)
and the Specialized Anti-corruption Prosecutor's Office (SAPO)

The European Public Prosecutor's Office ('EPPO'), hereinafter referred to as "the EPPO", and the Specialized Anti-corruption Prosecutor's Office ('SAPO'), hereinafter referred to as "the SAPO" together referred to as "the Parties",

Having regard to the provisions of Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office ('the EPPO'), hereinafter referred to as "the EPPO Regulation", and in particular Articles 99(3) and 104 thereof,

Taking into account the competence of the SAPO and the competence of the EPPO to investigate, prosecute and bring to judgment perpetrators of crimes against the financial interests of the European Union,

Considering the will of the Parties to establish a close cooperation with a view to protecting by investigative and prosecutorial means the financial interests of the European Union and of Ukraine,

Acknowledging that, in accordance with Article 99(3) of the EPPO Regulation, this Working Arrangement does not form the basis for allowing the exchange of personal data,

Aiming to facilitate cooperation in criminal matters and, especially, exchange of evidence and information in order to ensure effective investigation and prosecution, in full respect of fundamental rights,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Section I
General provisions

Article 1

Purpose

The purpose of this Working Arrangement is to facilitate cooperation between the Parties in investigations and prosecutions relating to criminal offences within their respective competences, with respect to the exchange of evidence, operational and strategic information, extradition, and other forms of cooperation, in accordance with the relevant multilateral instruments for judicial cooperation in criminal matters, including but not limited to the European Convention on mutual assistance in criminal matters and its additional Protocols, as well the United Nations Convention against transnational organised crime and the United Nations Convention against corruption.

Article 2

Scope

The Parties shall cooperate in all areas referred to in this Working Arrangement within the scope of their respective legal framework and mandate.

Article 3

Definitions

For the purposes of this Working Arrangement:

- a) 'European Delegated Prosecutor' means the EPPO post-holder of the EPPO referred to in Articles 13, 17 and 96(6) of the EPPO Regulation;
- b) 'Personal data' means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person; and
- c) 'Information' means personal and non-personal data.

Article 4

Transmission of personal data

Transfer of personal data between the Parties shall not take place under this Working Arrangement, and shall be subject to their respective legal frameworks, including relevant international agreements where applicable.

Section II
Operational cooperation

Article 5
Cooperation on gathering evidence

The Parties shall provide each other with the widest extent of cooperation for gathering evidence, in accordance with the provisions of the European Convention on mutual assistance in criminal matters, Strasbourg, 20 April 1959, and its additional Protocols.

Article 6
Freezing of assets

The Parties shall cooperate in the area of freezing of assets in accordance with the applicable multilateral legal instruments, including the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism, Warsaw, 16 May 2005.

Article 7
Joint investigation teams

- (1) The Parties may cooperate in setting up joint investigation teams in cases that would fall under the competence of the EPPO.
- (2) For the setting up of a joint investigation team, the Parties shall conclude specific agreements, in accordance with the Second additional Protocol to the European Convention on mutual assistance in criminal matters.

Article 8
Extradition

The Parties acknowledge that where it is necessary for the EPPO to request the extradition of a person sought, the handling European Delegated Prosecutor may request the competent authority of his/her Member State to issue an extradition request in accordance with the European Convention on extradition, Paris, 13 December 1957, and its additional Protocols.

Section III
Strategic cooperation and institutional matters

Article 9
Exchange of strategic and other information

- (1) The Parties may exchange strategic and other non-operational information in areas within their competence.

- (2) The information referred to in paragraph 1 shall contain no personal data.

Article 10

Secondment of Liaison officers to the EPPO

- (1) In order to facilitate the application of this Working Arrangement and especially to foster the operational cooperation between the Parties, the SAPO may second a liaison officer to the EPPO's headquarters in Luxembourg.
- (2) The EPPO shall provide an office, technical equipment and the necessary logistical support for the liaison officer seconded to its headquarters. The SAPO will cover all other costs of the secondment.
- (3) The Parties shall agree the specific arrangements related to the secondment of the liaison officer through an exchange of letters.

Article 11

Contact points and channels of communication

- (1) In accordance with Article 104(2) of the EPPO Regulation, the Parties agree that the EPPO appoints as its contact point at the SAPO:

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- (2) At operational level, the Parties shall cooperate directly. Requests for assistance addressed to the SAPO shall be sent to the EPPO contact point indicated in paragraph 1. Requests for assistance addressed to the EPPO shall be sent to the Operations Unit at the EPPO's central level in Luxembourg, either by regular mail or electronically at EPPO-international-cooperation@epo.europa.eu.

- (3) At strategic and management level, the Parties shall communicate through the European Chief Prosecutor and the Deputy Prosecutor General – Head of the Specialized Anti-Corruption Prosecutor's Office. Non-operational communication shall be addressed to the EPPO at EPPO-ExecutiveOffice@eppo.europa.eu.
- (4) The Parties shall communicate by any means whereby a written record can be produced, including through secured means of electronic communication.

Article 12

Meetings and other events

- (1) The Parties may organise high-level meetings, as well as technical meetings at both operational and administrative levels.
- (2) The Parties may cooperate in organising training sessions on matters of common interest and they may invite each other to seminars, workshops, conferences and other similar activities that are mutually relevant.

Article 13

Technical Support provided by the EPPO

Upon request, the EPPO may support the SAPO in exercising its functions, especially with know-how and sharing best practices in investigating and prosecuting financial crimes and corruption.

Section IV

Final provisions

Article 14

Consultations

The Parties shall consult each other regarding any matters that may lead to different interpretations of this Working Arrangement.

Article 15

Expenses

Unless otherwise stipulated in this Working Arrangement, the Parties shall bear their own expenses that arise in the course of implementation of this Working Arrangement.

Article 16

Amendments

This Working Arrangement may be amended in writing at any time by mutual consent between the Parties.

Article 17

Termination of the Working Arrangement

- (1) This Working Arrangement may be terminated in writing by either Party with three months' notice.
- (2) In case of termination, the Parties shall reach agreement on the continued use and storage of the information that has already been communicated between them.
- (3) Without prejudice to paragraph 1, the legal effects of this Working Arrangement shall remain in force.

Article 18

Entry into force

This Working Arrangement shall enter into force on the date of its signature.

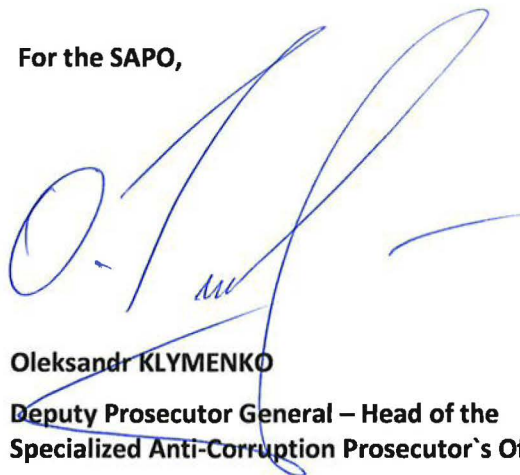
Done at Luxembourg on 6 October 2025 in two originals in English and Ukrainian languages, all texts being equally authentic.

For the EPPO,



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