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**PROSECUTOR GENERAL  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

**O R D E R**

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**ON APPROVING THE EDUCATION PROGRAMME  
FOR RECURRENT TRAINING OF PROSECUTORS WITH REGARD TO  
CORRUPTION**

Having regard to Article 60 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia “On Prosecutor’s Office”,

Guided by Article 10(1)(6) and (10) and Article 30 of the Law,

**I hereby order to:**

1. Approve the Education Programme for Recurrent Training of Prosecutors with regard to Corruption, pursuant to the Annex (attached).
2. Assign the supervision over observance of the requirements of this Order to the Deputy Prosecutor General of the Republic of Armenia, A. Danielyan.
3. Send the Order to the deputies of the Prosecutor General of the Republic of Armenia, to the heads of departments and divisions of the General Prosecutor’s Office, to prosecutors of marzes, of Yerevan and Yerevan communities, to military prosecutors of garrisons and to the Director of “Prosecutors School” (state non commercial organisation).

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## **EDUCATION PROGRAMME**

### **for Recurrent Training of Prosecutors with regard to Corruption**

#### 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. This programme aims at providing recurrent training of prosecutors with regard to corruption and improvement of their professional knowledge and working skills through the model of instruction provided for below.

#### 2. EDUCATION STANDARD

2. The determination of the education standard shall be based on:
  - (1) the results of the monitoring exercised by GRECO, the recommendations made to the Republic of Armenia at the first and second stages of assessment;
  - (2) the Programme of the Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Armenia "On prevention, detection and examination of corruption crimes";
  - (3) the Order of the Prosecutor General of the Republic of Armenia No.82 of 19 November 2008 "On corruption crimes".
3. The mandatory minimum of the content of this Programme shall contain the relations based on the knowledge of domestic and international legal acts and the exercise of powers vested in the prosecutor's office in the field of corruption.
4. Educational process shall be based on such directions that are necessary for training and upon the same dimension are logically interconnected and contain the following topics:
  - (1) international-legal regulation of corruption issues;
  - (2) domestic-legal regulation of corruption issues;
  - (3) the role of specialised organisations in the fight against corruption;
  - (4) peculiarities of exercise of powers vested in prosecutors in the fight against corruption;
  - (5) peculiarities of qualifying corruption crimes as criminal.
5. Within the framework of the topic of "International-legal regulation of corruption issues", the prosecutor shall study the Criminal Law Convention of the Council of

Europe “On corruption”, ratified by the Republic of Armenia on 08 June 2004, the Civil Law Convention "On corruption", ratified by the Republic of Armenia on 08 December 2004, the UN Convention “On corruption”, ratified on 23 October 2006, decisions, resolutions and recommendations of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on corruption.

6. Within the framework of the topic of “Domestic-legal regulation of corruption issues”, the prosecutor shall study the Programme of the Government of the Republic of Armenia "On anti-corruption strategy and its implementation measures” for 2003 and the Draft Programme "On anti-corruption strategy and its implementation measures” for 2009, as well as the Programme of the Prosecutor’s Office “On prevention, detection and examination of corruption crimes”.
7. Within the framework of the topic of “The role of specialised organisation in the fight against corruption”, the prosecutor shall study activities of the Anti-Corruption Council and of the Monitoring Commission for Implementation of Anti-Corruption Strategy.
8. Within the framework of the topic of “The peculiarities of exercise of powers vested in prosecutors in the fight against corruption”, the prosecutor shall study the legal bases in respect of the relations connected to the mandatory declaration of incomes and receipt of gifts by officials, the Code of Conduct for Prosecutors, the procedure for subjecting prosecutors to disciplinary liability, the peculiarities of the procedure for exercising prosecutorial control over corruption crimes, for the defence of a charge in court and for the examination of evidences.
9. Within the framework of the topic of “The peculiarities of qualifying corruption crimes as criminal”, the prosecutor shall study the official rank by making use of the interpretations available in the theory of crimes against property, economic activity, justice, military service order and state service, findings of scientific research and approaches established in practice, as well as the examination methods of corruption crimes.

### 3. MODEL OF INSTRUCTION

10. The training shall be carried out through self-education and through practical courses arranged within the scope of the corresponding material.

### 4. TOOLS AND METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

11. Self-education shall be arranged through the method of electronic education in “Prosecutors School” (state non-commercial organisation) (hereinafter referred to as “the School”).
12. The School shall elaborate and compile paper and electronic versions of manuals related to the arrangement and conduct of electronic education.
13. Practical courses shall be held immediately after the self-education phase, through seminar discussions organised over the presented material at School.
14. Theorists and practitioners shall be also engaged in seminar discussions as specialists.



## 5. THE LEARNING PERIOD

15. The total learning duration shall be equal to 24 lessons provided for the annual training of prosecutors, of which:
- (1) 16 hours per two days shall be provided for self-education;
  - (2) 8 hours per day shall be provided for seminar discussions.

## 6. PROVISION OF THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

16. This educational programme shall be carried out through phases, within the framework of the educational programme as regards the annual training of prosecutors.
17. The number of corresponding phases shall be determined in accordance with the total size of the content of the educational programme and, with a view to learn, the size of the necessary material to be presented within the learning period envisaged for self-education by this programme.
18. The sequence of phases shall be determined on an annual basis, once a year.
19. Learning period provided for by this educational programme shall be involved in the annual training period of prosecutors.