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1 SUMMARY

This assessment concentrates on the **financial** supervision of public officials through income and asset declarations. The assessment takes into account conflicts of interest to the extent that they are related to the finances of public officials.

Armenia is the fifth country in the Eastern Partnership region to introduce income and asset declarations (in 2001).

The strength of its income and asset declarations system relies in particular on the following features:

- Relevant high-ranking officials are included;
- Declarations are to be submitted within 15 days after the appointment, during office **annually** and upon leaving office;
- Declarations are made available **online**;
- Numeric financial information is complemented by **descriptive** information in most cases.

The declarations system would benefit from the following further **improvements** with regard to:

- Including mid- and **lower-level** civil servants;
- Including heads of the 12 semi-**autonomous districts** of Yerevan with more than 50,000 inhabitants;
- Including non-adult **children**, married children, and domestic household **partners** as well as declare **monetary funds** of all **family** members;
- Introducing declarations by family members when the official **assumes** and **leaves office**;
- Not applying heightened **thresholds** for declarations by family members;
- Providing distinct **descriptive** information for all financial positions;
- Considering to include other **expenditures** in the declarations;
- Abolishing all the thresholds for public **disclosure** of declared data at least for the public officials;
- Establishing a system of analysing and **auditing** declarations;
- Establishing a system of **sanctions**;
- Introducing the criminal offence of **illicit enrichment**.

2 SCOPE OF ASSIGNMENT

This Paper is part of the Project's regional Activity 1.4 "Risk Assessment: Typologies of underlying causes of corruption". The aim of this activity is to analyse institutional causes and risks of corruption, and identify weaknesses in countermeasures and need for action in integrity systems of the Eastern Partnership countries by addressing a specific sector in each country.

In consultations with the Armenian authorities "Income and asset declarations" has been selected as a sector for the risk assessment. The study analyses the system of income and asset declarations including its interfaces to other parts of the anti-corruption system. "Income and asset declarations" are closely related to conflict of interest, as finances of an official can lead to conflict of interest (for example, ownership in a company). This assessment considers also the conflict of interest aspect of financial supervision. However, it does not look into the whole system of declaring and supervising conflict of interest in Armenia, which would be a separate topic and would require an additional assessment of its own.

This assessment is the result of the desk review of legislation by the Council of Europe experts, Tilman Hoppe and Valts Kalniņš, and in-country meetings with relevant government institutions and civil society representatives held in Yerevan on 21-23 November 2012.

3 DECLARATIONS

3.1 History

In **2001**, Armenia adopted the "Law on Declaration of Assets and Incomes of High State Officials".¹ It is thus the fifth country in the Eastern Partnership region to introduce income and asset declarations system.²

In **2006**, Armenia adopted the "Law on Declaration of Assets and Incomes of Natural Persons"³ which repealed the Law of 2001.

In **2008**, to provide for the necessary bylaws, the Government adopted two Decrees: "Decree on Approval of the Form of the Declaration of Assets and Incomes of Physical Persons and the Procedure of its Completion" and "Decree on Establishing the List of Data Contained in the Declarations of Assets and Incomes of Officials".⁴

3.2 Legal basis

In May **2011**, Parliament adopted a new Law on Public Service⁵ that entered into force on 1 January 2012. In its Chapter VII the new Law deals with "Conflict of Interest of High-ranking

¹ Law No. 212 of 27 July 2001, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=938> (Armenian).

² OECD, Asset Declarations for Public Officials – A Tool To Prevent Corruption (2011), p. 23, table 1.1, www.oecd.org/dataoecd/40/6/47489446.pdf; for Moldova see Centre for the Analysis and Prevention of Corruption, "Declaration of assets and income of state dignitaries, judges, prosecutors, public servants and persons holding managerial positions: challenges and solutions for Moldova" (2009), www.capc.md/docs/Study_declaration_of_assets_and_income.pdf.

³ Law No. 164 of 7 July 2006, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=40625> (Armenian).

⁴ <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=40625> (Armenian).

⁵ Law No. 172 of 26 May 2011, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=75504> (Armenian).

Officials, Declaration of Property and Revenue” and in its Chapter VIII with “Organisation and Operational Rules of Ethical Committees for High-ranking Officials and Public Servants”.

The Law on Public Service **abrogates** in its Article 49 the Law of 2006 on Declaration of Assets and Incomes, as of 1 January 2012.

On 15 December 2011, the Government adopted a Decree on the new forms of **annual, office entry or leaving** declarations⁶ which also entered into force on 1 January 2012.

Likewise on 15 December 2011, the Government adopted another Decree on the information included in the declarations that shall be published.⁷

Both Decrees of 15 December 2011 (and the annexed declarations **templates**) have been modified by Government Decrees of 23 February 2012 and 3 May 2012.⁸

Furthermore, on 9 January 2012, the President signed a decree setting up the “**Ethics Commission** for High-Ranking Officials”.⁹

3.3 Persons covered

The Law on Public Service, in cases stipulated by this law, obliges not only **high-ranking officials** to declare their income and assets, but also the core members of their **household family**: the spouse of a high-ranking official, parents, as well as his/her adult and unmarried children, if any of them lives together with him/her (Article 32, paragraphs 1 and 4, Law on Public Service).

In addition, high-ranking official has to disclose the names and positions of “related persons” working in the same sector as the high-ranking official (Article 32, paragraph 2; Article 36, paragraph 2, Law on Public Service). **Related persons** are family members and relatives related to the high-ranking official or his/her spouse, including persons related with up to the 2nd degree blood relationship. Up to the 2nd degree of blood relationship includes persons related to the high-ranking official with the 1st degree of blood relationship, as well as persons related to the latter with the 1st degree of blood relationship. The 1st degree of blood relationship includes “children, parents, sisters and brothers” (Article 5 no. 16, Law on Public Service).

High-ranking officials are defined in Article 5, paragraph 1 no. 15, Law on Public Service. They comprise the President, the Deputies of the Parliament (including the Chairman), the Prime Minister, Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs of Staffs of the Presidential Administration, Parliament, Government, Ministers and Deputy Ministers, heads and deputy heads of the state agencies created by Law, heads and deputy heads of adjunct bodies to the Government, plus judges, certain senior prosecutors, chiefs of staff, heads of provinces (governors) and of larger local communities (>50,000 inhabitants), heads of diplomatic missions, and assistants and advisers to the President, to the Chairman of the Parliament, to the Prime Minister.

⁶ Decree No. 1835 of 15 December 2011, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=73176> (Armenian).

⁷ Decree No. 1819 of 15 December 2011, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=73190> (Armenian).

⁸ Decree No. 205 of 23 February 2012, <http://www.arlis.am/DocumentView.aspx?docid=74317> (Armenian); Decree No. 627 of 3 May 2012, <https://www.e-gov.am/gov-decrees/item/21422/> (Armenian).

⁹ www.president.am/hy/decrees/item/672/ (Armenian).

Previous legislation obliged not only high-ranking officials, but also lower-ranking officials to declare their income. The following reasons had been given as to why the current legislation focuses only on high-ranking officials:

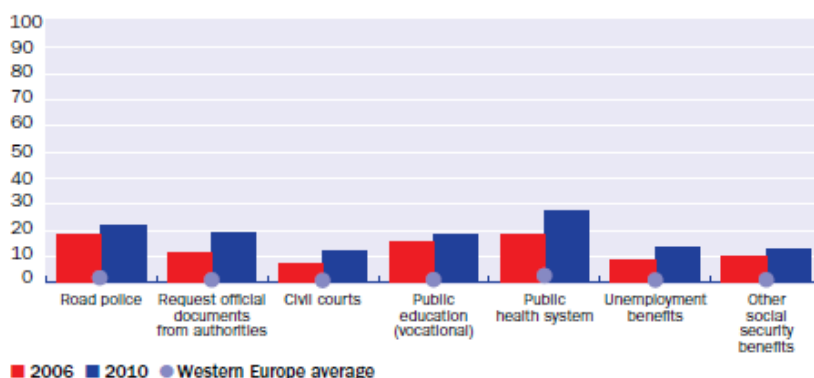
- On the one hand, verifying all declarations of thousands of lower-ranking officials would not be possible due to a **lack of resources**;
- On the other hand, submitting declarations **without verifications** – as has been the case in the past – would not justify the effort;
- Lower-ranking officials would lack the **decision power** that could generate a level of corruption proceeds detectable under financial declarations;
- The focus should be on **high-ranking** officials first, then on lower-ranking officials.

It seems, however, that the four arguments would not provide sufficient cause for excluding lower-ranking officials from the declaration system:

- Declarations by lower-ranking officials would not need to be reviewed by the Ethics Commission exclusively, but could be verified by **decentralised** units; furthermore, verifying a fraction of declarations would already create substantial impact by creating a risk of detection for all officials concerned;
- Declarations that are not verified are still helpful evidence when **investigating** a public official, even more, when they are incorrect and thus further corroborating an initial suspicion; in addition, even a system where not all declarations are verified would still have some preventive impact on all public officials;
- There are many public officials who are placed relatively low in the administrative hierarchy but who still possess decision-making power or a function that would predispose them for embezzlement or bribery. They can generate considerable wealth through **administrative corruption**. For example, according to surveys on actual experience of corruption, more than 20% of service users pay bribes to road police or public health officials; more than 10% to the public service in general.¹⁰

Irregular payments are slightly up since 2006

% of respondents who believe that irregular payments are used, by category



In short, it is unrealistic that out of the more than 200,000 persons employed by the State, only about 680 have decision power relevant to wealth generating corruption.¹¹

¹⁰ European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, "Life in Transition Survey" (2011), p. 61, www.ebrd.com/downloads/research/surveys/LITS2e_web.pdf.

¹¹ Republic of Armenia, Statistical Yearbook 2011, <http://www.armstat.am/file/doc/99466628.pdf>.

- Often, declaration systems are perceived to allow only for the financial supervision of low-ranking officials, but not for “big heads”. In this regard, it is certainly a good signal of the Armenian legislation to give **prominence** to the financial supervision of high-ranking officials. However, the above-mentioned reasons call for the supervision of an adequate number of lower-ranking officials as well. It should be noted that it would not be necessary to verify all declarations of this higher number of officials.

The Public Service Law includes the heads of communities with more than 50,000 inhabitants. 4 cities currently fall under this category. However, the heads of the 12 semi-**autonomous districts** of Yerevan are not included. This seems rather inappropriate for the 9 districts that have more than 50,000 inhabitants, and all the more for the 7 districts that have more than 100,000 inhabitants, some of them considerably more than the 3rd largest city in Armenia, Vanadzor (~ 117,000 inhabitants). More importantly, though, each autonomous district has its own elected leader and elected council, which makes them more similar to other local communities than to mere administrative units.

With regard to family, adult and unmarried children living with high-ranking officials are included in the declaration obligation, but **non-adult children** are not. With non-adult children it is even easier to hide assets under their name, than with adult children. This inconsistency cannot be explained. It would hence be recommended to include non-adult children.

Unmarried **domestic partners** are said to be uncommon in Armenia. However, there is a non-negligible number of couples who are married “only” by church, but not under civil law. Legally, these spouses are not recognised as such and would not be obliged to submit declarations. It would hence be recommended to include domestic partners.

Correspondingly, it is unclear why a **married child** living in the same household would not be included.

3.4 Frequency

Declarations are to be submitted as follows (Article 33, Law on Public Service):

- **Annually** by high-ranking officials (as of 31 December, until 15 February of the next year);
- **Annually** by members of their core household family (as of 31 December, until 15 February of the next year);
- Upon **entering** and **leaving** office – 15 days after (by high-ranking officials only).

This rhythm is sufficient. The only gap seems to be that **family members** do not have to declare their finances when the official enters and leaves office.

3.5 Receipt and storage

All declarations are filed with the **Ethics Commission** for High-ranking Officials. The Commission has to register the declarations within three days upon receipt (Article 37, Law of Public Service). The Commission can define the “the procedure for the requirements to fill in the declarations and their submission” (Article 43, paragraph 1 no. 6, Law on Public Service).

The Ethics Commission has stated that declarations will be regarded as human resource files and be archived as such.

Public officials can fill out the forms in Word-files available online at www.ethics.am. It is the stated aim of the Commission to establish a full **electronic** system with the possibility of submitting the data online, and processing and verifying it through linked databases. The Commission has secured assistance by an international donor for this activity.

3.6 Content

The Law on Public Service and related legislation indicate what information is necessary for each financial category. In addition, the Commission elaborated guidelines/manuals for completing all the declarations which are available on the official website of the Commission www.ethics.am.

3.6.1 Financial categories and values

The declarations of the tax year shall cover the following financial positions:¹²

For public officials and their spouses:

- **real estate** acquired and alienated in the tax year;
- **movable** property (including land, air, water vehicles, self-propelled and unmoving) acquired and alienated in the tax year;
- **securities** and investments acquired and alienated in the tax year;
- **loans** given out or returned in the tax year;
- **other valuables** purchased or sold with a value > AMD 8 in the tax year;
- **monetary** funds (amount at the beginning and at the end of the given fiscal year);
- **income** per fiscal year (including gifts, alimony, inheritance, prizes, winnings, lease and alienation of property, as well as income from abroad).

Family members – parents and children (adult and unmarried) living together with the high-ranking officials:

- **real estate** acquired and alienated in the tax year if the total value of all the items > AMD 50 million (~ €95,000);
- **movable** property (including land, air, water vehicles, self-propelled and unmoving) acquired and alienated in the tax year if the total value of all the items > AMD 8 million (~ €13,000);
- **securities** and investments acquired and alienated in the tax year if the total value > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **loans** given out or returned in the tax year if total of the transactions in the year > AMD 8 million for loans as assets (~ €15,000);
- **other valuables** acquired and alienated in the tax year > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **(monetary** funds: no declaration obligation for parents and children);
- **income** per fiscal year (including gifts, alimony, inheritance, prizes, winnings, lease and alienation of property, as well as income from abroad).

¹² The rather complex legislation is not always easy to understand. The reading of the law in this and the following chapters relies on readings as provided for by the Armenian authorities.

The threshold is reached, when the transactions or items of the given category **combined** add up to it. It should also be noted that different thresholds apply for the **publication** of the declarations, (see below at 3.7 “Public disclosure”).

It seems questionable to apply different declaration thresholds to family members: such a stark difference in thresholds seems an exception in Europe. At the same time, it makes it rather easy to transfer assets to family members outside financial supervision by the Commission. It might be another issue to what extent those “unlimited” declarations are published, should there be sweeping reasons for this.

In addition, the wording seems too narrow where it focuses only on the “purchase” or “sale” of property, but not on other forms of conveyance (gifts, inheritance, etc.).

Meanwhile, as mentioned above, a different form of declaration shall be submitted by the high-ranking official when assuming or leaving the high-ranking position. The following financial information should be declared in the mentioned declarations:

- **real estate** as of the date of assuming or leaving office;
- **movable** property (including land, air, water vehicles, self-propelled and unmoving) as of the date of assuming and leaving office;
- **securities** and investments as of the date of assuming or leaving office;
- **loans** as of the date of assuming or leaving office;
- **other valuables** with more than AMD 8 million value (~ €15,000) as of the date of assuming or leaving office as well as items alienated or acquired during the previous tax year and items alienated or acquired during the period between 1 January and the date of assuming or leaving office of the current tax year;
- **monetary** funds as of the date of assuming or leaving the position;
- **income** of the previous tax year as well as income received during the period between 1 January and the date of assuming or leaving office of the current tax year (including gifts, alimony, inheritance, prizes, winnings, lease and alienation of property, as well as income from abroad).

3.6.2 Descriptive information

In addition to numbers, in particular the following descriptive information is required:

- **real estate:** type, location;
- **movable** property: type, serial number, model;
- **securities** and investments: no descriptive information;
- **loans:** debtor’s name and address;
- other **valuables:** name;
- **monetary** funds: no descriptive information;
- **income:** billing name and address.

Securities and investments, as well as monetary funds are the only categories that do not require descriptive information. If one does not know the names of companies and individuals to whom deposits, debts, etc. are related, one cannot verify the declaration. In addition, numbers

without individual **specification** of the asset (name of share etc.) are of little help for the control of conflict of interest. From the perspective of investigating corrupt officials based on declarations, descriptive information such as bank account numbers would also seem essential.

Whereas some countries only show aggregated figures for family members, Armenia opted to declare financial positions for each **family** member individually. This makes it possible to verify the numbers provided.

3.6.3 Expenditures

There is no declaration requirement for expenditures on non-assets, such as luxury vacations etc. It would seem recommendable to consider including such a category, as it would make it to a certain extent harder for corrupt public officials to enjoy the proceeds of their illegal activity. However, controlling this financial category would be very difficult, if possible at all.

3.7 Public disclosure

The Law on Public Service briefly touches on the issue of publishing declarations:

“The functions of the Ethics Commission for High-Ranking Officials are [...] analyses and publication of declarations” (Article 43, paragraph 1 no. 2).

The Ethics Commission decided to make all submitted declarations available online on www.ethics.am. In addition, information concerning declarations can be obtained under freedom of information legislation.

However, not all information submitted to the Commission is made public. Article 37, paragraph 2 briefly addresses this issue:

“The list of data subject to publication included in the declaration, its content and form shall be established by the Government of the Republic of Armenia.”

The data subject to publication – and through that also the data not available to the public – is defined by Decree N1835 amended by Decree N627.¹³ There are three categories of data that are not subject to publication:

- Personal data of the declarer;
- Data of third parties (employers, creditors, debtors, etc.);
- Data on financial transactions that need to be declared, but do not reach the different thresholds for publication.

Obviously, **personal data** of the declarer such as address of residence, passport number etc. should not be published.

Personal data of physical **third parties** could be regarded as worth protecting. However, data regarding legal third parties is a different case. It is important to know for the public with which companies an official maintains contracts. Sometimes, conflicts of interest arise out of such third party connections. However, those conflicts are often not visible to the body monitoring conflicts of interest, but only to people of the larger public.

¹³ See above at footnote 8.

The third category concerns data that is declared but does not reach the thresholds for publication that are in most cases higher than the thresholds for declaring. The thresholds for publication are as follows:

Public officials and spouses:

- **real estate** acquired and alienated if the total value of the items > AMD 50 million (~ €95,000);
- **movable** property (including land, air, water vehicles, self-propelled and unmoving) acquired and alienated if the value of each item value > AMD 7 million (~ €13,000);
- **securities** and investments acquired and alienated if the value of each transaction > AMD 5 million (~ €9,000);
- **loans** given out or returned if the amount for each of the transaction > AMD 3 million (~ €6,000), (for loans as assets); there is no threshold for loans as **income**;
- **other valuables** acquired and alienated with a value > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **monetary** funds (amount at the beginning and at the end of the given fiscal year);
- **income** per fiscal year (including gifts, alimony, inheritance, prizes, winnings, lease and alienation of property, as well as income from abroad).

Other family members:

- **real estate** acquired and alienated if the total value of the items > AMD 50 million (~ €95,000);
- **movable** property (including land, air, water vehicles, self-propelled and unmoving) acquired and alienated if the value of each item > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **securities** and investments acquired and alienated if the value of each transaction > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **loans** given out or returned if the amount for each transaction > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000) for loans as assets; no threshold for loans as income;
- **other valuables** acquired and alienated with a value > AMD 8 million (~ €15,000);
- **income** per fiscal year (including gifts, alimony, inheritance, prizes, winnings, lease and alienation of property, as well as income from abroad).

The differing thresholds complicate the whole system without real need. They make it also more difficult for the public to understand and monitor declarations. Most importantly, such a difference in declaration and publication thresholds is an exception in Europe, making Armenia probably the only country imposing such a restriction on publication.

3.8 Verifications

There are currently about 680 public officials subject to the income and asset declaration requirements. Including household family members, the number of submitted declarations reaches about 2,000. The Law on Public Service briefly touches on the issue of verifying declarations:

“The functions of the Ethics Commission for High-Ranking Officials are [...] analyses and publication of declarations” (Article 43, paragraph 1 no. 2).

For this purpose, the Commission can request from any state body any information or assistance necessary for reviewing a declaration (as well as any other issue before the Commission), Article 43, paragraph 2, Law on Public Service.

3.8.1 Ad hoc

Private stakeholders such as the media or citizen activists can compare all publicly available declarations with any knowledge that they might have about the official.

Furthermore, the Ethics Commission can look into the declarations upon receipt of complaints or in any case of suspicion of wrong information.

Law enforcement authorities can verify the published declarations whenever they are conducting an investigation into the official concerned or any of his/her family members. In case of criminal cases, investigators can obtain the original declarations from the Commission according to the criminal procedural legislation.

3.8.2 Systematic

The Ethics Commission is still in the process of establishing a system of analysing and auditing declarations. It is recommended to establish standard procedures within the Commission containing in particular:

- Steps of handling the declarations;
- Analysing the declarations;
- Linkage to other databases;
- Criteria leading to further investigations (red flags);
- Methods to detect undeclared assets, etc., which are suspected to be in the possession of the official but which are not found in other state databases;
- Cooperation with other state bodies;
- Initiating/imposing sanctions.

The comparison of declarations with the real life situation will depend to a large extent on the availability and quality of publicly **registered data** on physical and legal persons. For example, certain areas of business are not controlled under current legislation, such as farming. It is thus possible for a public official to claim that he/she acquired any wealth from farming business, whereas it can be rather difficult to verify this information.¹⁴

The current legislation only makes explicit reference to the Commission requesting information from state bodies, but remains silent on information by private persons. However, it would seem necessary that the Commission can request such information on a voluntary basis. According to the Commission, the law would allow the Commission to ask private persons to voluntarily provide information.

¹⁴ See for example the allegation/question in Hetq, 9 July 2012, "Does Armenia's Parliament Speaker Have a Green Thumb? Abrahamyan & Wife Make Millions Selling Farm Produce", <http://hetq.am/eng/articles/16400/does-armenias-parliament-speaker-have-a-green-thumb?-abrahamyan-&-wife-make-millions-selling-farm-produce.html>.

3.8.3 Ethics Commission for High-Ranking Officials

The Ethics Commission is an “independent body” under Article 40, Law on Public Service. The Members of the Ethics Commissions “shall not have the right to be a member of a political party [...] or occupy a position in a state or local self-government body or do any paid work, with the exception of scientific, pedagogical and creative works.” (Article 39, Law on Public Service).

On 9 January 2012, the President appointed the following five persons as nominated by different state bodies under Article 38, paragraph 4, Law on Public Service:

- Lilit Petrosyan by the Speaker of the National Assembly,
- Armen Khudaverdyan [former Secretary of Public Sector Reform Commission] by the Prime Minister
- Areg Shushyan by the Chairman of the Constitutional Court
- Emil Babayan [former Deputy Justice Minister] by the Chairman of the Court of Cassation
- Artak Sargsyan by the Prosecutor General.¹⁵

The Commission elected Emil Babayan as Chairman, and Areg Shushyan as Vice Chairman. The Members serve a six-year term. They are dedicated full-time to the work of the Commission.

The real independence of this Commission has been questioned by some interviewees, and the extent to which the different institutions have identified their nominations independently from the President is open to doubt by at least some informed members of the public. Inclusion of civil-society representatives into the Commission would certainly have the potential of enhancing its acceptance and credibility among the public at large.

The Commission will apparently need further staff with the necessary investigative, financial, and legal capacity for reviewing declarations.

3.9 Impact

3.9.1 Public stakeholders

Asset declarations are used for criminal investigations, as for example in the investigation into the alleged embezzlement by Vardan Minas Oskanyan, Deputy of the National Assembly,¹⁶ who has been a member of the governing coalition (Prosperous Armenia party) but has for some time been perceived as being in fact closer to the opposition.

3.9.2 Private stakeholders

The Media have published numerous articles on contradictions and particularities around politicians’ declarations. Example headlines from 2012 include:

- “Armenia’s First Lady richer than her husband”¹⁷
- “Ministers’ Wives Have the Big Bank Accounts”¹⁸

¹⁵ www.oecd.org/corruption/acn/49910824.pdf.

¹⁶ Motion of the Prosecutor General of 5 October 2012 for lifting immunity, www.genproc.am/en/105/item/7359/.

¹⁷ 13 June 2012, www.a1plus.am/en/politics/2012/06/13/rita.

- “Financial Riddle? RA Justice Minister Reports 3 Million AMD as ‘Other Income’”¹⁹
- “Armenia’s Provincial Governors Get Rich Quick”²⁰

In addition, there are allegations in the Media that “more than half of the 131 members in the current National Assembly of Armenia have a business, which is prohibited by law.”²¹

3.10 Sanctions

Typically, declarations can lead to the following violations:

- late filing;
- incomplete filing;
- non-filing;
- false information.

Under previous legislation, Article 169 of the Code on Administrative Violations covered late and false filing of declarations. If the declaration was not submitted within 30 days after the warning, a **fine** would apply. Incomplete and non-filing were only covered by the former Asset Disclosure Law of 2006. None of these sanctions are currently applicable anymore. There is obviously little incentive though to comply with the declaration requirement if violating the rules does not lead to any sanctions.

With regard to **disciplinary** sanctions, there is no explicit link to violations of declaration requirements. In other countries of the Eastern Partnership, the non-submission of a declaration can lead (and has in fact led) to the removal from office.²²

It is worth noting that until now sanctions did only cover the public officials themselves. However, the obligation to declare finances concerns also **family** members. It would be a logical consequence to include family members into the sanction system as well: If the law imposes an obligation on them, there is no reason why this obligation should not be supported by an adequate sanction.

3.11 Illicit enrichment

A fully effective asset declaration system should lead to criminal convictions of public officials who accumulated illicit wealth. However, Armenian law enforcement authorities and judiciary seem to be hesitant to base corruption convictions on **circumstantial** evidence. By contrast, it seems necessary that the official is caught red-handed in the corruptive act (e.g. while accepting a bribe). Thus, it will not suffice to have circumstantial evidence that the inexplicable wealth of an official can only originate from corruptive practices in office.

Therefore, it seems recommendable to introduce the criminal offence of illicit enrichment into the **criminal code**. This would allow for a meaningful response to situations where there is a significant gap between an official’s actual and explicable wealth. Illicit enrichment is a criminal

¹⁸ <http://hetq.am/eng/articles/19596/ministers-wives-have-the-big-bank-accounts.html>.

¹⁹ <http://hetq.am/eng/articles/17085/financial-riddle?-ra-justice-minister-reports-3-million-amd-as-other-income.html>.

²⁰ <http://hetq.am/eng/articles/19564/armenias-provincial-governors-get-rich-quick.html>.

²¹ http://www.armenianow.com/news/politics/34536/property_declaration_armenian_parliament_members_ethnics_commission.

²² See “Country risk assessment Ukraine, Financial Supervision of Public Officials (‘Income and Asset Declarations’)”, available at www.coe.int/t/DGHL/cooperation/economiccrime/corruption/Projects/EaP-CoE%20Facility/EaP_default_en.asp.

offence under the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), and about 40 countries have criminalised it.²³ In addition, there is a current trend in the Eastern Partnership region to consider introducing this crime into their legislation.

In 2011, Ukraine introduced an offence called “illicit enrichment” (“Незаконне збагачення”, section 368-2 Criminal Code).²⁴ The offence is not exactly illicit enrichment according to the international standard of Article 20 UNCAC. The Criminal Code defines illicit enrichment as the “obtainment by an officer of illegal benefit in substantial amount or transfer by the officer of such benefit to close relatives, in the absence of signs of bribery”. However, the advantage of this Ukrainian regulation lies in the fact that the burden of proof is still fully upon the prosecution: In contrast to Article 20 UNCAC section 368-2 Criminal Code would not require the official to “reasonably explain” his wealth in relation to his income. Hence there is no indication that a conviction of a public official based on a significant discrepancy of his or her actual and declared wealth and on an overall review of the facts would violate the presumption of innocence or the prohibition of self-incrimination.

Nonetheless, such a lighter version would still seem to have impact. Supposed, the financial declaration system in Armenia is well implemented and does not contain any significant loopholes, it would allow the prosecution to comparatively easily proof a discrepancy between the actual wealth, and the status of wealth as formally declared by the official himself. Some additional proof might be necessary to show that the non-declared income can only be from illegitimate sources.

²³ World Bank, “On the Take - Criminalizing Illicit Enrichment to Fight Corruption” (2012) www.unodc.org/documents/corruption/Publications/StAR/On_the_Take- Criminalizing Illicit Enrichment to Fight Corruption.pdf.

²⁴ Criminal Code as amended by Law No. 3207-VI of 7 April 2011, <http://zakon2.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/2341-14/page11> (Ukrainian).

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

The current system of income and asset declarations has several sound features for enhancing integrity in public office. The system would benefit from the following improvements:

Officials covered

Include the heads of the 12 semi-autonomous districts of Yerevan with more than 50,000 inhabitants. Include also mid- and lower-level civil servants, those in positions with high corruption risks (procurement etc.) and from sectors of high corruption (patrol police, health, education, prosecutors, etc.).

Family members

Include non-adult children, married children and domestic household partners in the declaration obligation. It is also important to require all family members (parents and children) to declare their monetary funds as well.

Frequency

Have family members also declare their finances when the official enters and leaves office.

Reporting thresholds

In order to prevent hiding of smaller assets under the names of relatives, it seems advisable that declarations of the relatives do not have any heightened thresholds compared to declarations of the officials themselves.

Descriptive information

All financial items need to be complemented by distinct descriptive information (names of companies, details of domestic and foreign bank accounts, creditors, etc.).

Expenditures

It would seem recommendable to consider including this category for expenses, which do not have to be declared already as assets.

Public disclosure

Abolish special thresholds for public disclosure of declared data at least as far the public officials are concerned.

Verifications

Continue establishing a system of analysing and auditing declarations.

Sanctions

Establish a system of at least disciplinary and administrative sanctions for late filing, incomplete filing, non-filing and false information.

Illicit enrichment

Introduce the criminal offence of illicit enrichment.

5 APPENDIX

5.1 Law on Public Service (excerpt)

(Unofficial translation by the EaP/CoE Facility Project on “Good Governance and Fight against Corruption”)²⁵

Law of the Republic of Armenia
“On Public Service”

Adopted on 26 May 2011

CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1 The subject matter of the law

1. The law shall lay down the principles of the Public Service in the Republic of Armenia, its order of organization, rules of ethics, as well as shall regulate the relations concerning the declaration of property, income and related persons of high ranking officials.

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Article 5 Principal concepts used in this law

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high ranking official – President of the Republic, Prime Minister, Deputies of the National Assembly, Members of the Constitutional Court, Judges, Ministers and Deputy Ministers, Prosecutor General and Deputy Prosecutors General, Prosecutors of Yerevan and Garrison Prosecutors, Heads of state bodies established by laws, Deputy heads and members of these bodies, Chairman of the Central Bank of Armenia, Deputy Chairman and members of the Board of the Central Bank of Armenia, Heads of state governing bodies under the Government, Deputy heads, Chairman of the Control Chamber, Deputy Chairmen, Members of the Board of the Control Chamber, Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic and Deputy Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the National Assembly and Deputy Chiefs of Staff, Chief of Staff of the Constitutional Court of Armenia, Chief of Staff of the Government and Deputy Chiefs of Staff, members of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials, Mayor of Yerevan and Deputy Mayors, Governors and Deputy Governors, Heads of diplomatic missions in foreign countries, Secretary to the National Security Council, advisers and assistants to the President of the Republic, advisers and assistants to the President of the National Assembly, advisers and assistants to the Prime Minister, heads of communities with 50000 and more habitants as of 1 January of the precedent year, as well as Head of the Presidential Oversight Service, Head of the Prime Minister’s Oversight Service;

²⁵ A full version of the Law is available on the Project’s website.

- 16) Persons related to the high ranking officials – persons related to the high ranking official or his/her spouse, including persons related with up to 2nd degree blood relationship. Up to 2nd degree of blood relationship includes persons related to the high-ranking official with 1st degree of blood relationship, as well as persons related to the latter with 1st degree of blood relationship. The 1st degree of blood relationship includes children, parents, sisters and brothers;
- 17) Conflict of interests – a situation, where the high ranking official shall make a decision within the framework of his/her competencies, which could be reasonably interpreted as an action governed by his/her or related person's interests;
- 18) A superior official to the high ranking official – for the Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic, Secretary to the National Security Council, advisers and assistants to the President of the Republic - is the President of the Republic; for the Chief of Staff of the National Assembly, advisers and assistants to the President of the National Assembly – is the President of the National Assembly; for the Chief of Staff of the Constitutional Court – is the President of the Constitutional Court; for a Minister, Chief of Staff and Deputy Chiefs of Staff of the Government, Heads of state governing bodies under the Government, Head of Prime Minister's Oversight Service, advisers and assistants to the Prime Minister – is the Prime Minister; for the Deputy Ministers – is the Minister; for Deputy Prosecutors General, Prosecutors of regions, Prosecutor of Yerevan city and Garrison Prosecutors – is the Prosecutor General; for the Deputy heads of state governing bodies under the Government – Heads of the body; for the members of collegial state bodies established by law – Head of the given body; for the Deputy Chairmen and Members of the Board of the Central Bank of Armenia – is the Chairman of the Central Bank; for the members of the Control Chamber – is the Chairman of the Control Chamber; for the Deputy Chiefs of Staff of the President of the Republic – is the Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic; for the Deputy Chiefs of Staff of the National Assembly – is the Chief of Staff of the National Assembly; for the Deputy Chiefs of Staff of the Government – is the Chief of Staff of the Government; for the Deputy Mayors and Deputy Governors – respectively are the Mayor and the Governors; for the Heads of diplomatic missions in foreign countries – is the Foreign Affairs Minister. High ranking officials not listed in this clause are considered not having superior officials within the context of this law.

[...]

CHAPTER VII CONFLICT OF INTERESTS OF HIGH RANKING OFFICIALS, DECLARATION OF PROPERTY AND INCOME

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Article 32 Obligation of declarations on property, income and of related persons

1. The high ranking officials shall submit declarations on property, incomes to the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials in a procedure established by this law.
2. The high ranking officials shall submit declarations on related persons to the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials in a procedure established by this law.

3. If the appointment of a high ranking official is made through the nomination by another body, in this case the candidate shall submit declaration on property and income, and in cases stipulated by this law a declaration on related persons at the time of nomination.
4. The spouse of a high ranking official, parents, as well as his adult or not married child living together with him/her, shall submit declarations on property and income to the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials in cases stipulated by this law.

Article 33 Timeframe for declarations

1. The high ranking official shall submit declarations to the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials 15 days after the day of the assumption, termination of responsibilities. The mentioned persons shall submit declarations also during their term of office as of 31 December of each year but not later than 15 February of the next year.

Article 34 The content of the property declaration

1. The declaration by the high ranking official or his/her spouse shall include the following items belonging to them on property rights:
 - 1) the real estate – land plot, part of the subsoil, isolated water object, forest, perennial tree, building, construction, other land-fixed estate (hereinafter real estate), which has been aliened or acquired throughout the taxation year;
 - 2) the mobile estate – automobile transportation means, wheel, tracked, automotive machines or mechanisms, air, water transportation means (hereinafter mobile estate), which have been aliened or acquired throughout the taxation year;
 - 3) the security (bonds, check, bill and other documents classified as a security, with the exception of bank certificate) and (or) any document certifying any other investment (share, stock) (hereinafter security and (or) investment) which have been aliened or acquired throughout the taxation year;
 - 4) The loan, which the declarer handed over or which was returned to him throughout the taxation year. Within the context of this law, loan means lending money (loan amount) or other property identified by distinctive characteristics to the ownership of others on the condition of repayment of equal amount of money or return of equal quantity of received property and of similar type and quality (hereinafter loan);
 - 5) any estate not mentioned in paragraphs 1-4 of this clause exceeding the price of 8 million drams or of equal foreign currency (hereinafter expensive estate), which have been aliened or acquired throughout the taxation year;
 - 6) financial means (including the means in bank)
2. The declaration submitted by the high ranking official shall be accompanied by a signed list, which shall include the name, surname, relationship, birth date of his/her spouse, parent living together with him/her, as well as of the adult and not married child living together with him/her.
3. The declarations submitted by the high ranking official, the parent living together with him/her, as well as by the adult and not married child living together with him/her shall submit the following estate belonging to them on the basis of ownership rights:
 - 1) the real estate, if the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire the real estate in the taxation year exceeded 50 million drams. Inter alia, the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire the real estate or to alien it in case of exceeding 50 million drams, all transactions of acquiring and aliening the real estate shall be subject to declaring;

- 2) the mobile estate, if the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire the mobile estate in the taxation year exceeded 8 million drams. Inter alia, the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire the real estate or to alien it in case of exceeding 8 million drams, all transactions of acquiring and aliening the mobile estate shall be subject to declaring;
 - 3) Security and (or) other investment, if the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire or alien the securities and (or) investments in the taxation year exceeded 8 million drams. Inter alia, the total price (value) of the transactions to acquire or alien the securities and (or) investments in case of exceeding 8 million drams, all transactions of acquiring and aliening the securities and (or) investments shall be subject to declaring;
 - 4) Loans, if the total price (value) of transactions to lend or repay the loans exceeded 8 million drams in the taxation year. Inter alia, the total price (value) of transactions to lend or repay the loans in case of exceeding 8 million drams all transactions of lending or repaying shall be subject to declaring;
 - 5) the expensive estate, which have been aliened or acquired in the taxation year;
4. The definition of the price (value) or the income in foreign currency of the estate subject to declaration mentioned in this Article is calculated on the basis of average currency exchange rate formed in currency markets published by the Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia for the day of the transaction, and the price (value) of in kind transactions - on the basis of procedure to define the price (value) for reflecting the income in kind (non-monetary) or estate in the declaration.
 5. In declaring the estate, one shall mention:
 - 1) in case of the real estate – the type, address of location, availability in the beginning and at the end of the taxation year, the price (value) of acquiring or aliening and the currency;
 - 2) in case of the mobile estate – the type of the mobile estate, mark and series, availability in the beginning and at the end of the taxation year, the price (value) of acquiring or aliening and the currency;
 - 3) in case of securities and (or) investment – the currency, price (value) of the security in the beginning and at the end of the taxation year, the price (value) of acquiring or aliening;
 - 4) in case of loans – the title or the surname of the debtor, name or patronymic name, address, currency of the loan, amount (size) of the loan in the beginning and at the end of the taxation year, the amount (size) of lent and repaid loan;
 - 5) in case of the expensive estate – the denomination of the estate, its availability in the beginning and at the end of the taxation year, the price (value) of acquiring or aliening the estate;
 - 6) in case of financial means – the currency of the financial means, amount in the beginning of the taxation year – 1 January and at the end of the taxation year – 31 December;

Article 35 The content of income declaration

1. The income declaration of the high ranking official, his/her spouse, the parent living together with him/her, as well as of the adult and not married child living together with him/her, shall include the incomes throughout the taxation year and their sources set forth by this Article.
2. A source for the income of the declarer shall be the entity, which paid the declarer income set forth by this Article throughout the taxation year. Particularly, sources of income may be a state governing or local self-government body, a commercial, non-commercial organization, a company, a branch, a representation, individual entrepreneur (hereinafter organization) or a non-entrepreneurial natural entity.

Taxes and (or) other obligatory payments established by law, in case of being kept by the source of income, the incomes shall be declared without these amounts. This rule does not cover the persons submitting annual income calculation set forth by law of the Republic of Armenia "On Income Tax".

3. Pursuant to this law, the following incomes in the dram of the Republic of Armenia, in foreign currency or in kind (non - monetary) shall be subject to declaration:
 - 1) the payment for work or other payments adjusted to it;
 - 2) the royalty or copy right reimbursement for enjoying copy right or use of the right for literature, artistic or scientific work, use of the right for licenses, trade mark, project or model, secret formula or process, electronic calculation machines and data base software or right to use industrial, commercial, scientific equipments or compensation (royalty) for providing information on industrial, technical, organizational, commercial, scientific experiment;
 - 3) received loans (credits) or the interests and compensation received for loans (credits);
 - 4) shares;
 - 5) incomes (benefits) in casinos or in gambling;
 - 6) material or monetary benefits (prizes) received in contests and competitions, as well as by lotteries;
 - 7) the estate, financial means (with the exception of those received for work or service) received by donation or assistance;
 - 8) property (including financial means) received by inheritance;
 - 9) compensations received by insurance
 - 10) income received through entrepreneurial activity;
 - 11) income received as a result of the alienation (including those not mentioned in Article 8) of the estate (with the exception of financial means);
 - 12) rental fee or other compensation, income received as a result of civil contracts;
 - 13) lump sum payments;
 - 14) income derived from property rights;
4. Other incomes not specified in clause 2 of this Article shall be subject to declaring by mentioning their types and sources.
5. While declaring the income, the following shall be mentioned:
 - 1) the type of the income;
 - 2) the income source – the title or the surname of the income payer, name and patronymic, address;
 - 3) the size (amount) of the income;
 - 4) the income currency;

Article 36 The content of declaration by related persons

1. The declaration submitted by the person related to the high ranking official shall contain:
 - 1) for the member of the Constitutional Court – the related persons occupying a position of a member in the Constitutional Court;
 - 2) for the Ministers and Deputy Ministers – the related persons occupying a position in the ministry;
 - 3) for the Prosecutor General, Deputy Prosecutors General, prosecutors of regions, of the Yerevan City and garrisons – the related persons occupying a position of a prosecutor, judge, investigator;

- 4) for the heads and deputy heads of state bodies under the government –the related persons occupying a position in that body (including in structural and territorial subdivisions, as well as in state non-commercial organizations);
 - 5) for the heads and members of collegial state bodies established by law – the related persons occupying positions either of head or member, as well as related persons occupying a executive position in commercial organizations functioning under the regulation of these bodies;
 - 6) for the judges – the related persons occupying positions of a prosecutor, judge or investigator;
2. The declaration submitted by the related persons shall mention:
 - 1) name, patronymic, surname;
 - 2) occupied position;
 3. In the person enlisted in clause 1 of this Article has lost his/her relation with the related person and is not able to declare him/her as a related person due to the lack of information, then he/she shall enclose a relevant statement mentioning the kinship and the name, patronymic, surname of the person.

Article 37 Register of declarations and publication of data

1. Within 3 working days after the receipt of the declaration, the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall enter it into the register of declarations.
2. The list of data subject to publication included in the declaration, its content and form shall be established by the Government of the Republic of Armenia.
3. The Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall provide the protection of data not subject to publication.

CHAPTER 8

THE PROCEDURE FOR THE FORMATION AND FUNCTIONING OF THE ETHICS COMMITTEES FOR THE PUBLIC SERVANT AND HIGH RANKING OFFICIALS

Article 38 The Ethics Committees for the Public Servant and High ranking officials and their formation

1. The Ethics Committees shall be established by the bodies envisaged by Article 2 of this law.
2. The Ethics Committees may be established in the General Prosecutor's Office, which shall be entitled to verify the compliance of ethic rules.

Relations concerning the compliance of ethic rules by the judges shall be regulated by the Judicial Code of the Republic of Armenia.

The procedure for formation, functioning, initiating proceedings concerning the violation of ethic rules mentioned in this clause, shall be established by relevant rules.

3. An Ethics Committee shall be established for the high ranking officials. The procedure for the functioning of the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall be established by this law. The working rules of the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall be established by the decision of the Ethics Committee.
4. The Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall be comprised of five members. The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the President of the Republic upon the nomination by the President of the National Assembly, the Prime Minister, the President

of the Constitutional Court, the Chairman of the Court of Cassation, the Prosecutor General on the principle of one nomination each, for six years term. The Ethics Committee of high ranking officials shall elect a Chairman and a Vice Chairman among its members.

5. Any citizen having attained the age of 30, having higher education, possessing high moral features, well known among the society and having at least 10 years of employment record may become a member of the Ethics Committee.

Article 39 The prohibition of being engaged in other activities for the members of Ethics Committee of high ranking officials

1. Members of the Ethics Committee shall not have the right to be a member of a political party or a member of a representative body or occupy a position in a state or local self-government body or do any paid work, with the exception of scientific, pedagogical and creative works.

Article 40 The independence of the member of the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials

1. The member of the Ethics Committee of high ranking officials is independent in exercising his authorities; he/she shall obey only the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of Armenia.
2. Members of the Committee shall not subordinate to a state or self-government body or an official and shall remain independent from the nominating and appointing persons.

Article 41 The termination of authorities of a member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials

1. The term of authorities of a member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall terminate the same day of the sixth year following his/her appointment. The authorities of the member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall be terminated ahead of time:
 - 1) if his/her citizenship of the Republic of Armenia has been stopped;
 - 2) if he/she has been convicted by a final court judgment for committing intentional crime or has been sentenced to imprisonment by a final court judgment for committing non-intentional crime;
 - 3) if he/she has been recognized of limited capacity, declared to be a missing person or dead by a final judgment;
2. The President of the Republic shall be entitled to terminate ahead of time the authorities of the member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials, if the latter:
 - 1) neglected in accomplishing his/her duties;
 - 2) missed the committee meetings more than twice throughout a year without reasonable excuse;
 - 3) breached the requirements of Article 39 of this law;
3. In case of termination of authorities of the committee member ahead of time, the President of the Republic shall nominate a new member for the rest of the established term. In this case, if the rest of the term is less than a year, then the term of office of the new member shall be established by adding six years to the rest of the term of the previous member.

4. The member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials may resign through submitting resignation to the President of the Republic. The President of the Republic shall admit the resignation of the committee member within a month. The Committee member may withdraw his/her recognition before its admission by the President of the Republic of Armenia.
5. In case of the ahead of time termination of authorities of the member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials, an appointment for the vacant seat shall be exercised in a procedure set forth by this law.

Article 42 The remuneration of the member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials

1. The member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall receive remuneration for exercising functions stemming up from this law.
2. The wage rate for the member of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall be established on the basis of fifteen fold size of the base wage rate for civil servants envisaged in the law «On the Budget» of the Republic of Armenia for each year, for the Vice-President – sixteen fold and for the President – seventeen fold.
3. The logistic and organization support of the functioning of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall be performed by the Staff of the President of the Republic.

Article 43 Functions of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials

1. The functions of the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials are as follows:
 - 1) the conduct of the register of declarations of the high ranking officials and other persons envisaged by this law;
 - 2) analyses and publication of declarations;
 - 3) revelation of the conflict of interests of high ranking officials (with the exception of the conflict on interests of deputies, members of the Constitutional Court, judges and prosecutors) and the violations of the rules of ethics (with the exception of the violation of the rules of ethics by members of the Constitutional Court, judges and prosecutors, as well as violation of rules of ethics by deputies) and presentation of proposals to the President of the Republic, to the National Assembly and the Government directed at their elimination and prevention;
 - 4) the revelation of the breach of the rules of ethics not related to the exercise of official duties of the members of the Constitutional Court, judges and prosecutors and presentation of proposals to the President of the Republic, to the National Assembly and the Government directed at their elimination and prevention;
 - 5) the publication of information on the cases of the breach of ethic rules or conflicts of interests revealed within the framework of its authorities, as well as on the measures undertaken in that regard;
 - 6) definition of the procedure for the requirements to fill in the declarations and their submission;
2. The Ethics Committee has the right:
 - 1) to request and receive any materials or documents necessary for the matter of discussion in the Ethics Committee from any state or self-government body, state or community institution, state organization or officials thereof
 - 2) to request any state or self-government body, state or community institution, state organization or officials thereof, with the exception of the members of the Constitutional Court, courts, judges and prosecutors to conduct verifications, researches, expertise on the circumstances subject to revelation of the matter under the discussion of the Ethics Committee and present the results thereon.

3. The materials, documents and other information requested by the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall be forwarded to the Committee as soon as possible, but not later than within 10 days after the receipt of the request from the Ethics Committee, if other timeframe is not mentioned in the request or, if the addresser is not proposing other reasonable timeframe for its execution.
4. Members of the Ethics Committee are entitled to have unrestricted access to any state or community institution or organization, as well as get acquainted with any material or document related to the matter of discussion in the Ethics Committee.
5. The Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall publish through media , within one month after the end of each year, the revealed cases of the conflict of interests and measures undertaken in that regard.

Article 44 Proceedings in the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials

1. The Ethics Committee shall initiate proceedings upon its own initiative.
2. The Ethics Committee may initiate proceedings on the breach of the ethics rules:
 - 1) pursuant to an application lodged by any person;
 - 2) upon its own initiative;
 - 3) pursuant to the application lodged by a high ranking official concerning his/her request to verify breach of rules by him/her;
3. The high ranking official shall be informed within five days time period after the initiation of proceedings, who shall submit his explanations and objections to the Committee within ten days. As a result of the initiated proceedings, the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall issue its conclusion within one month period.
4. The conclusion of the Ethics Committee on the breach of the ethics rules and the decision thereon of the competent official of the relevant state body, if available, shall be inserted in the website of the state body within five days after the day the decision was adopted. If elements of crime (corpus delicti) are emerged, then the Committee shall send all materials to the Prosecutor's General Office of the Republic of Armenia.
5. The conclusion on the violation of rules of ethics by the Ethics Committee for high ranking officials shall be sent to the President of the Republic of Armenia and superior of the high ranking official.
6. The conclusion of the Committee may be appealed within one month after its adoption by the high ranking official, whose behavior was concerned in the conclusion.

CHAPTER 9 INCENTIVES FOR CIVIL SERVANTS, IMPOSITION TO DISCIPLINARY PENALTIES AND DISMISSING FROM THE POSITION

Article 45 Types of incentives applied to the public servants

1. For a long service, as well as for high quality performance of service duties or special assignments, types of incentives set forth by the legislation may be applied to the Public Servants. The types of incentives applied to the public servants, as well as the procedure of their application shall be established by the different types of the state service, as well as by the laws regulating the service in communities and by other legal acts.

Article 46 Disciplinary penalties applied to the public servants

1. Disciplinary penalties shall be applied to the public servant in a procedure established by law for non-performance or improper performance of service duties for unjustified reason, as well as for exceeding service authorities, violating the internal rules of labor discipline.
2. Before assigning a disciplinary penalty the official having jurisdiction to apply disciplinary penalty, shall request a written explanation on the disciplinary penalty from the public servant who has committed the disciplinary violation.
3. For each disciplinary violation one disciplinary penalty may be assigned.
4. The types of disciplinary penalties applied to the Public Servant, as well as the procedure for applying penalties and the relations thereon shall be regulated by different types of the state service, as well as by the laws regulating the service in communities and by other legal acts.

Article 47 The Grounds for dismissing the Public Servant from the Position

1. Having regard to the peculiarities of the state and community service, the grounds for dismissing the Public Servant from the position shall be established by separate types of the state service, as well as by the laws regulating the service in communities and by other legal acts.
2. A ground for the dismissal of the Public Servant from the position shall be the non-compliance with the requirements of Article 24 of this law.

CHAPTER 10

SOLUTION OF DISPUTES AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR VIOLATING THE LEGISLATION ON THE CIVIL SERVICE

Article 48 Solution of Disputes and Responsibility for violating the Legislation on the Public Service

1. The disputes related to the application of the legislation on the Public Service shall be solved in a procedure established by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.
2. The persons breaching the legislation on the Public Service shall bear liability for the cases and in the procedure established by law.

5.2 Decree 1835

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Annex 1

of the RoA Government

Decision # 1835 – N

as of December 15, 2011

LIST

OF DATA IN THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS’ PROPERTY, INCOME AND CONNECTED PERSONS’ DECLARATIONS,

AS WELL AS IN THE PROPERTY AND INCOME DECLARATIONS OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS’ SPOUSE, PARENT LIVING WITH HIM/HER, AS WELL AS ADULT AND SINGLE CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIM/HER,

SUBJECT FOR PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)

1. The following data in the high-ranking officials’ property, income and connected persons’ declarations, as well as in the property and income declarations of the high-ranking officials’ spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her, are subject to publication (disclosure):

1) Position held by a high-ranking official,

2) Type and price (value) of the acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated real estate of the high-ranking official and his/her spouse during the fiscal year, as well as type and price (value) of the acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated real estate of the high-ranking official’s parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year, if the total price (value) of the property acquisition or alienation transaction has exceeded 50 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

3) Type, trademark, serial number and price (value) of movables, if the price of alienated and, in case of acquisition, acquired one unit of movable property of the high-ranking official and his/her spouse during the fiscal year as exceeded 7 million drams or equivalent foreign currency, as well as the type, trademark, serial number and price (value) of the alienated and, in case of acquisition, acquired movables during the fiscal year by the high-ranking official’s parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her, if the total price (value) of acquisition, and in case of alienation, alienation transaction has exceeded 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

4) Type of securities and/or the document certifying other investment and the price (value) of securities and/or other investment, if the total price of alienation and, in case of acquisition, acquisition transaction of securities by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse during the fiscal year has exceeded 5 million drams or equivalent foreign currency, as well as the type of securities and/or the document certifying other investment and the price (value) of securities and/or other investment alienated and, in case of acquisition, acquired during the fiscal year by the high-ranking official's parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her, if the total price of acquisition and/or other investment transactions or total price of alienation transaction have exceeded 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

5) Loan, if lending or repayment transaction during the fiscal year by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse has exceeded 3 million drams or equivalent foreign currency, as well as lending and repayment by the high-ranking official's parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her, if the total price of lending transactions and the total price of repayment transactions have exceeded 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

6) Any property (valuable property) and its price (value) acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated during the fiscal year by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her and not mentioned in this list that exceed 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

7) Amount of total income received by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her.

D. SARGSYAN,

CHIEF OF STAFF OF

THE GOVERNMENT OF ARMENIA

Annex N 2

of the RoA Government

Decision # 1835 – N

as of December 15, 2011

CONTENT

OF DATA IN THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS' PROPERTY, INCOME AND CONNECTED PERSONS' DECLARATIONS,

AS WELL AS IN THE PROPERTY AND INCOME DECLARATIONS OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS' SPOUSE, PARENT LIVING WITH HIM/HER, AS WELL AS ADULT AND SINGLE CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIM/HER,

SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)

1. Data in the high-ranking officials' property, income and connected persons' declarations,

as well as in the property and income declarations of the high-ranking officials' spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her, subject to publication (disclosure), shall have the following content:

1) Year for which declaration has been submitted,

2) Position held by the high-ranking official,

3) Type and price (value) of acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated real estate - land plot, part of subsoil, isolated water facility, forest, perennial plant, building, structure, other land-fixed property - by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her,

4) Type and price (value) of acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated movables - automobile vehicles with engines that use over 50 cub. cm. working volume, with their maximum speed exceeding 50 km per hour, as well as attachments and semi-attachments of different load-lift capacities, wheeled, caterpillar wheel, self-propelled vehicle or mechanism, air and water transport - by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year,

5) Type and the price (value) of acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated securities (bonds, checks, promissory note, stocks and other documents classified as security according to the laws of the Republic of Armenia, with the exception of bank certificates) and/or the document certifying other investment (shares and equity - security and (or) other investment) by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year,

6) Loan, which the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her has lent or which has been repaid to him during the fiscal year. For the purposes of this law loan is the disclosure by the declarer as ownership to another entity money (the amount of loan) or other specific and identifiable property with the condition of repayment of money of the same amount or return of property of equal quantity and of the same type and quality,

7) Income received in commodity (non-monetary income) by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year in Armenian drams,

8) income received in foreign currency – amount and type of currency - by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year,

9) Any property (valuable property) and its price (value) acquired and, in case of alienation, alienated during the fiscal year by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her and not mentioned in the Annex 2 of the Government of Armenia Decision # 1835-N as of December 15, 2011, that exceed 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency.

2. Amount of total income in Armenian Drams received by the high-ranking official and his/her spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her during the fiscal year.

3. The following data subject to publication should be included in the high-level official's declaration on connected persons:

1) Position held by a person connected with the high-level official,

2) Agency, where a person connected with the high-level official holds his/her position,

3) Subdivision of the agency, where a person connected with the high-level official holds his her position,

4) Job description (short) of a person connected with the high-level official holds his her position.

D. SARGSYAN,

CHIEF OF STAFF OF

THE GOVERNMENT OF ARMENIA

Annex N 2

**of the RoA Government
Decision # 1835 – N
as of December 15, 2011**

FORM

**OF DATA IN THE HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS' _____ PROPERTY, INCOME AND CONNECTED PERSONS' DECLARATIONS, AS WELL AS IN THE
_____ PROPERTY AND INCOME DECLARATIONS OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS' SPOUSE, PARENT LIVING WITH HIM/HER, AS WELL AS
ADULT AND SINGLE CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIM/HER, SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)**

1. DATA IN THE HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIALS' _____ PROPERTY, INCOME AND CONNECTED PERSONS' DECLARATIONS, SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)					
2.	Position held by high-level official				
3. Persons connected with the high-level officials					
	Name of agency where connected person holds a position		Relevant sub-division where connected person holds a position		Position held and short description of the job
1.	2.		3.		4.
3.1					
3.2					
3.3					
3.4					
4. High-level official's real estate					
	Type and price (value) of the acquired real estate during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the alienated real estate during the fiscal year		Type of movables available in the end of the year
	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)	
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
4.1					
4.2					

4.3						
4.4						
5. High-level official's movables						
	Type, serial number, trademark, and price (value) of the acquired movables during the fiscal year		Type, serial number, trademark, and price (value) of the alienated movables during the fiscal year		Type of movables available in the end of the year	
	Type, serial number, and trademark	Price (value)	Type, serial number, and trademark	Price (value)		
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	
5.1						
5.2						
5.3						
5.4						
6. High-level official's securities						
	Type and price (value) of the acquired securities during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the acquired securities during the fiscal year		Type of securities available in the end of the year	
	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)		
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	
6.1						
6.2						
6.3						
6.4						
7. Loan lent by and repaid to the high-ranking official						
	Type and price (value) of the loan lent by the official during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the loan repaid to the official during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the loan available in the end of the year	
	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
7.1						
7.2						
7.3						
7.4						
8. Valuable property of a high-level official (property not mentioned in this table and exceeding 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency)						
	Type and price (value) of the valuable property acquired during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the valuable property alienated during the fiscal year		Type of the valuable property available in the fiscal year	
	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)		

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	
8.1						
8.2						
8.3						
8.4						
High-level official's income						
Received in commodity (non-monetary)		Received in foreign currency		Received in AMD		
		amount	currency			
1.		2.	3.	4.		
10. DATA IN THE _____ PROPERTY AND INCOME DECLARATIONS OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS' SPOUSE, PARENT LIVING WITH HIM/HER, AS WELL AS ADULT AND SINGLE CHILDREN LIVING WITH HIM/HER, SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)						
11. Real estate of high-ranking officials' spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her						
		Type and price (value) of the acquired real estate during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the alienated real estate during the fiscal year		Type of real estate available in the end of the year
		Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)	
	Spouse					
11.1						
11.2						
11.3						
11.4						
	Parent					
11.5						
11.6						
11.7						
11.8						
	Child					
11.9						
11.10						
11.11						
11.12						
12. Movables of high-ranking officials' spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her						
		Type, serial number, trademark, and price (value) of the acquired movables during the fiscal year		Type, serial number, trademark, and price (value) of the alienated movables during the fiscal year		Type of movables available in the end of the year

		Type, serial number, and trademark	Price (value)	Type, serial number, and trademark	Price (value)	
	Spouse					
12.1						
12.2						
12.3						
12.4						
	Parent					
12.5						
12.6						
12.7						
12.8						
	Child					
12.9						
12.10						
12.11						
12.12						
13. Securities of high-ranking officials' spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her						
		Type and price (value) of the acquired securities during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the acquired securities during the fiscal year		Type of securities available in the end of the year
		Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)	
	Spouse					
13.1						
13.2						
13.3						
13.4						
	Parent					
13.5						
13.6						
13.7						
13.8						
	Child					
13.9						
13.10						
13.11						
13.12						
14. Loan lent by and repaid to the high-ranking officials' spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her						
		Type and price (value) of the loan lent by the spouse of the official during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the loan repaid to the spouse of the official during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of

						the loan available in the end of the year	
		Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)
		Spouse					
14.1							
14.2							
14.3							
14.4							
		Parent					
14.5							
14.6							
14.7							
14.8							
		Child					
14.9							
14.10							
14.11							
14.12							
15. Valuable property of the high-level official's spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her (property not mentioned in this table and exceeding 8 million drams or equivalent foreign currency)							
		Type and price (value) of the valuable property acquired during the fiscal year		Type and price (value) of the valuable property alienated during the fiscal year		Type of the valuable property available in the fiscal year	
		Type	Price (value)	Type	Price (value)		
		Spouse					
15.1							
15.2							
15.3							
15.4							
		Parent					
15.5							
15.6							
15.7							
15.8							
		Child					
15.9							
15.10							
15.11							
15.12							

16. Income of the high-level official's spouse, parent living with him/her, as well as adult and single children living with him/her						
		Received in commodity (non-monetary)		Received in foreign currency		Received in AMD
				amount	currency	
	Spouse					
16.1						
16.2						
16.3						
16.4						
	Parent					
16.5						
16.6						
16.7						
16.8						
	Child					
16.9						
16.10						
16.11						
16.12						

D. SARGSYAN,
CHIEF OF STAFF OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF ARMENIA

5.3 Decree 1819

DECREE

OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

N 1819-N of December 15, 2011

ON APPROVING THE TEMPLATES FOR DECLARATION OF THE PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND THE RELATED PERSONS IN THE FISCAL YEAR, PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND THE RELATED PERSONS AS OF THE DATE OF ASSUMING OR RESIGNING THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Government of the Republic of Armenia *decides*:

1. To approve:

1) the template for the declaration of the property and income of high-ranking officials and the related persons in the fiscal year according to the Annex N 1,

2) the template for the declaration of property and income of high-ranking official and the related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities according to the Annex N 2.

2. This Decree enters into force on the tenth day after its official publication.

**The Prime-Minister of the Republic of
Armenia** **T. Sargsyan**

December 23, 2011
Erevan

TEMPLATE
FOR DECLARATION OF THE INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND RELATED PERSONS
FOR _____ FISCAL YEAR

The first, middle and the last name of Declarant	Passport Number, date of issuance and the code
Position held	The year of assuming the position
Address of registration	Address of residence

1. Related persons

	Telephones
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth

Related officials

Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held
Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held
Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held

The declaration contains

 pages

Day, month and year of submission of declaration

(signature)

2. Property of high-ranking official

	Type of real estate purchased during the fiscal year, address of its location, value and the currency				Type of real estate disposed during the fiscal year, address of its location, value and the currency				Type of real estate existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Type of real estate existing at the end of the fiscal year
	Type	Location	Value	Currency	Type	Location	Value	Currency		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2.1.										
2.2.										
2.3.										

3. Mobile assets of high-ranking official

	Type of mobile assets purchased during the fiscal year, serial number, model and value		Type of mobile assets disposed during the fiscal year, serial number, model and value		Type of mobile asset existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Type of mobile asset existing at the end of the fiscal year
	Type, serial number, model	Value	Type, serial number, model	Value		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3.1.						
3.2.						
3.3.						

4. Securities or other investment made by high-ranking official												
Type of securities other investment made during the fiscal year, currency and the value			Type of securities other investment disposed the fiscal year, currency and the value			Type, the currency and the value of securities or other types of investments existing at the beginning of the fiscal year			Type, the currency and the value of securities or other types of investments existing at the end of the fiscal year			
	type	currency	value	type	currency	value	type	currency	value	type	currency	value
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
4.1.												
4.2.												
4.3.												
5. Borrowings given by or returned to high-ranking official												
Name of the borrower or the first, middle and the last name, address			Currency and the amount of the borrowing given by the person during the fiscal year		Currency and the amount of the borrowing returned to the person during the fiscal year		Currency and the amount of the borrowing existing at the beginning of the year		Currency and the amount of the borrowing existing at the end of the year			
	Name or the first, middle and the last name	Address	Currency	Amount	Currency	Amount	Currency	Amount	Currency	Amount		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
5.1.												
5.2.												
5.3.												
5.4.												
Valuable assets of high-ranking officials (not specified in this table exceeding AMD 8 mln or equivalent in foreign currency)												
Name, value and the currency of valuable assets purchased in the fiscal year			Name, value and the currency of valuable assets disposed in the fiscal year			Name of valuable asset at existing at the beginning of the fiscal year		Name of valuable asset at existing at the end of the fiscal year				
	Name	Value	Currency	Name	Value	Currency						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9				
6.1.												
6.2.												
6.3.												
7. Monetary resources of high-ranking official												
Currency and the amount of monetary resources at the beginning of the year, as of January 1				Currency and the amount of monetary resources at the end of the year, as of December 31								
	currency		amount		currency		amount					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
7.1.												
7.2.												
7.3.												
8. Incomes of high-ranking officials												
Source of income in AMD, address, type of income, amount				Source of income in foreign currency, address, type of income, amount				Source of income in product (non-monetary), address, type of income, amount				
	Sources (the title, the first, middle or the last name of the person paying the income)	Address of the sources of receiving the income	Type	Amount	Sources (the title, the first, middle or the last name of the person paying	Address of the sources of receiving the income	Type	Amount	Sources (the title, the first, middle or the last name of the person paying the income)	Address of the sources of receiving the income	Type	

					the income)						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8.1.											
8.2.											
8.3.											
8.4.											
8.5.											
8.6.											
8.7.											
8.8.											
8.9.											
8.10.											
8.11.											
8.12.											
8.13.											
8.14.											
8.15.											

1. This declaration shall be completed in the order prescribed by articles 32-35 of the RA law "On Public Service".
2. While completing this declaration, additional pages containing relevant points of declaration shall be provided, if the columns to be filled in with the data subject to declaration are not sufficient for providing all the relevant information.

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

**Annex N 2
To the Decree of the Republic of Armenia N 1819-N
Of December 15, 2011**

**TEMPLATE
FOR THE DECLARATION OF PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL AND THE RELATED
PERSONS AS OF THE DATE OF ASSUMING OR RESIGNING THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

The first, middle and the last name of Declarant	Passport Number, date of issuance and the code
Position held	The year of assuming the position
Address of registration	Address of residence

1. Related persons

	Telephones
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth
Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth	Relation, the first, middle and the last name, date of birth

Related officials

Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held
Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held
Relation, the first, middle and the last name	Position held

The declaration contains pages Day, month and year of submission of declaration (signature)

2. Type, the address, value and currency of the real estate of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities				
	type	address	value	currency
1	2	3	4	5
2.1.				
2.2.				
2.3.				
3. Mobile assets of of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities				
Type, serial number, model and value of the existing mobile assets				
	type	serial number	model	value
1	2	3	4	5
3.1.				
3.2.				
3.3.				
4. Securities or other types of investments by high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities				
Type, currency and amount of securities of other investment				
	type	value	currency	
1	2	3	4	
4.1.				
4.2.				
4.3.				
5. Borrowings given by or returned to high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities				
Name (the first, middle and the last name) of the borrower taking or returning the borrowing.				

address, currency and the amount of the borrowing											
	Name, the first, middle or last name of the borrower		Address of the borrower	Currency	Amount						
1	2		3	4	5						
5.1.											
5.2.											
5.3.											
6. Valuable assets of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities (not included in this table and exceeding 8 mln AMD or its equivalent)											
Name, value and the currency of the existing valuable asset											
	name		value	currency							
1	2		3	4							
6.1.											
6.2.											
6.3.											
7. Monetary resources of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities											
Currency and the amount of the existing monetary resources											
	currency		amount								
1	2		3								
7.1.											
7.2.											
7.3.											
8. Incomes of high-ranking officials as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities											
Source of income in AMD, address, type of income, amount		Source of income in foreign currency, address, type of income, amount				Source of income in product (non-monetary), address, type of income, amount					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8.1.											
8.2.											
8.3.											
8.4.											
8.5.											
8.6.											
8.7.											
8.8.											
8.9.											
8.10.											
8.11.											
8.12.											
8.13.											
8.14.											
8.15.											

1. This declaration shall be completed in the order prescribed by articles 32-35 of the RA law "On Public Service".
2. While completing this declaration, additional pages containing relevant points of declaration shall be provided, if the columns to be filled in with the data subject to declaration are not sufficient for providing all the relevant information.

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

5.4 Decree 205

**DECREE
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

N 205-N of February 23, 2012

**ON MAKING AMENDMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS TO THE DECREE OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA N 1819-N, OF
DECEMBER 15, 2011**

The Government of the Republic of Armenia decides:

1. Make the following supplements and amendments to the Decree of the Government of Armenia N 1819-N “On approving the templates of declarations of the property and income in the fiscal year of high-ranking officials and the related persons and property and income of high-ranking official and the related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities”
 - 1) in the title of the decree after the words “of declarations of the property and income of high-ranking officials and the related persons in the fiscal year” add the words “, the declaration of the property owned with the right of ownership, as well as the income of the spouse of the high-ranking official, the parent, adult and single child living with him/her in the fiscal year”.
 - 2) in paragraph 1 of the Decree
 - a. amend the template of declaration of property and income of high-ranking official, as well as related persons approved by subparagraph 1 (Annex N 1) in new edition, according to Annex 1;
 - b. amend the template of declaration of property and income of high-ranking official and the related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities (Annex N2), approved by subparagraph 2, in new edition, according to Annex N 2;
 - c. Add a new subparagraph3 to the paragraph with the following content: “3) template for declaration of the income of the spouse of the high-ranking official, the parent, adult and single child living with him/her, in the fiscal year, according to Annex N 3.”.
 - 3) add a new Annex N 3 to the Decree (template for declaration of the income in the fiscal year of the spouse of the high-ranking official, the parent, adult and single child living with him/her) according to Annex N 3.
2. This Decree enters into force on the next day after its official publication.

The Prime-Minister of the Republic of Armenia

February 29, 2012

Yerevan

T. Sargsyan

**DECLARATION
OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND RELATED PERSONS**

NN	DATA ON HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS	
1.	The first, middle and the last name of Declarant	
2.	Position held	
3.	The year of assuming the position	
4.	Passport Number, date of issuance and issued by	
5.	Address of registration	
6.	Address of residence	
7.	Telephones, e-mail address	
8.	Day, month and year of submission of declaration	
9.	Pages contained in declaration	

(signature of Declarant)

A. PERSONS RELATED TO HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL

A1. The spouse of the high-ranking official, the parent, adult and single child living with him/her

NN	First, middle and last name	Date of birth
1.	Spouse	
2.	Parent	
3.		
4.	Child	
5.		
6.		

A2.

NN	Position held	Relation	The first, middle and last name
1.			
2.			
3.			

B. PROPERTY OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL

B1. Real estate								
NN	Type	Location	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased at the beginning of the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
				Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.1.								
1.2.								
1.3.								

B2. Mobile assets								
VN	Type	Serial number, model	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased at the beginning of the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
				Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2.1.								
2.2.								
2.3.								

B3. Securities or other investment						
NN	Type	Currency	Value at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased in the fiscal year	Disposed in the fiscal year	Value at the end of the fiscal year
				value	value	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3.1.						
3.2.						
3.3.						

B4. Borrowings given or received							
JN	Name of the Borrowing company or first, middle and last names	Address of the Borrower	Currency	Amount of the borrowing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Given in the fiscal year	Received in the fiscal year	Amount of the borrowing at the end of the fiscal year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4.1.							
4.2.							
4.3.							

B5. Any property (valuable assets) not specified in this table exceeding AMD 8 mln or equivalent in foreign currency

JN	Name of property	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased at the beginning of the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
			Value	Currency	Value	Currency	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
5.1.							
5.2.							
5.3.							

B6. Monetary resources

VN	Currency	Amount at the beginning of fiscal year	Amount at the end of fiscal year
1	2	3	4
6.1.			
6.2.			
6.3.			

C. INCOMES OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS

VN	Type of income	The title, the first, middle or the last name of the person paying the income	Address of the payer	Currency	Amount of income		
					In drams	In currency	In goods
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7.1.							
7.2.							
7.3.							
7.4.							
7.5.							
Total						X	

(signature of Declarant)

1. This declaration shall be completed in the order prescribed by articles 32-35 of the RA law "On Public Service", as well as the guidelines for filling in the declaration of property and income of high-ranking official.
2. While completing this declaration, the additional pages containing relevant points of declaration shall be provided, if the columns to be filled in with the data subject to declaration are not sufficient for providing all the relevant information.
3. The line "Total" of the table "Income" shall be completed in line with the requirements of the guidelines for completing the declaration of the property and the income of high-ranking official."

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

DECLARATION

OF PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL AND THE RELATED PERSONS AS OF THE DATE OF ASSUMING OR RESIGNING THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

NN	INFORMATION ON OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL	
1.	The first, middle and the last name of Declarant	
2.	Position held	
3.	The date of assuming (resigning) the position	
4.	Passport Number, date of issuance and issued by	
5.	Address of registration	
6.		
7.	Telephones, e-mail address	
8.	Day, month and year of submission of declaration	
9.	The pages contained in the declaration	

(signature of Declarant)

A. PERSONS RELATED TO HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL

A1. The spouse of the high-ranking official, the parent, adult and single child living with him/her

NN p/lq	First, middle and last name	Date of birth
1.	Spouse	
2.	Parent	
3.		
4.	Child	
5.		
6.		

A2. Related persons holding position and having up to 2nd degree relation to the high-ranking official or his/her spouse

NN	Position held	Relations	First, middle and last name
1.			
2.			
3.			

4.			
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2. The real estate of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

NN	Type of real asset	Address
1	2	3
2.1.		
2.2.		
2.3.		

3. Mobile assets of of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

NN	Type of mobile asset	Serial number, model
1	2	3
3.1.		
3.2.		
3.3.		

4. Securities or other types of investments by high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

NN	Type of securities or other types of investments	Value	Currency
1	2	3	4
4.1.			
4.2.			
4.3.			

5. Borrowings given by or returned to high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

NN	Title of the borrower or the first, middle and the last name	Address of the borrower	Currency	Value
1	2	3	4	5
5.1.				
5.2.				
5.3.				

6. Any property (valuable asset) of high-ranking official purchased and disposed as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities in the fiscal year, as well as of January 1 of the year of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities (not included in points 2-5 of this table and exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent)

NN	Name of property	Brief description	Purchased		Disposed		Existing as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities
			Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

5.1.							
5.2.							
5.3.							

7. Monetary resources of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

NN	Currency of monetary resources	Amount of monetary resources
1	2	3
7.1.		
7.2.		
7.3.		

8. Incomes of high-ranking officials prior to the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities, as well as of the January 1 of the year of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities

N /q	Type of income	Name of the organization or the first, middle and last name of the physical person paying the income	Address of the payer	Currency	Amount of income		
					In drams	In currency	In goods
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8.1.							
8.2.							
8.3.							
8.4.							
8.5.							
8.6.							
Total						X	

(signature of Declarant)

1. This declaration shall be completed in the order prescribed by articles 32-35 of the RA law "On Public Service", as well as the guidelines for filling in the declaration of property and income of high-ranking official.
2. While completing this declaration, the additional pages containing relevant points of declaration shall be provided, if the columns to be filled in with the data subject to declaration are not sufficient for providing all the relevant information.
3. The line "Total" of the table "Income" shall be completed in line with the requirements of the guidelines for completing the declaration of the property and the income of high-ranking official."

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

**DECLARATION
ON THE PROPERTY AND INCOME OWNED BY THE SPOUSE OF HIGH-RANKING
OFFICIAL, THE PARENT, ADULT, SINGLE CHILD LEAVING WITH HIM/HER WITH
THE RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP FOR
 YEAR**

NN	INFORMATION ON THE SPOUSE OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL, THE PARENT, ADULT, SINGLE CHILD
1.	First, middle and last name of high-ranking official
2.	Position held by high-ranking official
3.	First, middle and last name of the spouse (parent), child, date of birth
4.	Passport number of spouse (parent), child, date of issuance, issued by
5.	Telephone and e-mail address of spouse (parent), child, date of birth
6.	Date of submission of declaration by spouse (parent), child, date of birth
7.	Pages contained in the declaration

(signature of Declarant)

A. PROPERTY OF THE SPOUSE OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL, THE PARENT, ADULT, SINGLE CHILD

A1. Real Estate

NN	Type	Location	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased in the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
				Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.1.								
1.2.								
1.3.								

A2. Mobile assets

NN	Type	Serial number, model	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased in the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
				Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2.1.								
2.2.								
2.3.								

A3. Securities or other investment

NN	Type	Currency	The price the beginning of fiscal year	Purchased in the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		The price the end of fiscal year
				Price	Price			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7	
3.1.								
3.2.								
3.3.								

A4. Borrowings given or received

NN	Name of the Borrowing company or first, middle and last names	Address of the borrower	Currency	Borrowed amount at the beginning of fiscal year	Given in the fiscal year	Received in the fiscal year	Amount of the borrowing at the end of the fiscal year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4.1.							
4.2.							
4.3.							

A5. Any property (valuable assets) not specified in A1-A4 sections of this table exceeding AMD 8 mln or equivalent in foreign currency

NN	Name of property	Existing at the beginning of the fiscal year	Purchased in the fiscal year		Disposed at the beginning of the fiscal year		Existing at the end of the fiscal year
			Value	Currency	Value	Currency	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
5.1.							
5.2.							
5.3.							

A6.Monetary resources of owned by the spouse of high-ranking official			
NN	Currency	Amount at the beginning of fiscal year	Amount at the end of fiscal year
1	2	3	4
6.1.			
6.2.			
6.3.			

B. INCOME OF THE SPOUSE OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL, THE PARENT, ADULT, SINGLE CHILD

NN	Type of income	Name of the paying company or first, middle and last name of the payer	Address of the payer	Currency	Size of income		
					In drams	In currency	In goods
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total						X	

(signature of Declarant)

1. This declaration shall be completed in the order prescribed by articles 32-35 of the RA law "On Public Service", as well as the guidelines for filling in the declaration of property and income of high-ranking official.
2. While completing this declaration, the additional pages containing relevant points of declaration shall be provided, if the columns to be filled in with the data subject to declaration are not sufficient for providing all the relevant information.
3. The line "Total" of the table "Income" shall be completed in line with the requirements of the guidelines for completing the declaration of the property and the income of high-ranking official."

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

5.5 Decree 627

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**DECREE N 627-N
OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

of May 3, 2012

**ON MAKING AMENDMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTS TO THE DECREE N 1835-N OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA OF DECEMBER 15, 2011**

According to part 2 of article 37 of the RA law “On public service”, the Government of the Republic of Armenia **decides**:

1. to make the following amendments and supplements to the Decree N 1835 – N of the Government of the Republic of Armenia “On the list of the data to be presented in declarations of property and income of the high-ranking officials and related persons, as well as the property and the income of the spouse of high-ranking official, his/her dependent parent, dependent adult single child, subject to disclosure, the content and format of declaration” of December 15, 2011:

- 1) In the heading of the Decree
 - a. replace the words “the property of the high-ranking officials” with the phrase “the property of the high-ranking officials in the fiscal year “,
 - b. before the words “as well as” add the phrase “in the declaration of the property and income of high-ranking official, as well as related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning official responsibilities of the position”,
 - c. in the heading replace the words “of spouse”, “of parent” and “of the child”, respectively with the words “to the spouse”, “to the parent” and “to the child”,
 - d. in the heading, after the words “of the child” add the words «in the fiscal year with the right of ownership”.
- 2) In paragraph 1 of the Decree:
 - a. edit sub-paragraph 1 as follows:

“1) the list of data in the declaration of the property and income of high-ranking officials and related persons in the fiscal year, the property and income of high-ranking official as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities and the related persons included in the declaration, as well as the property and income belonging to the spouse, dependent parent and dependent single child of the high-ranking official with the right of ownership in the fiscal year subject to publication (disclosure), according to the Annex N 1”,
 - b. edit sub-paragraph 2 as follows:

“2) the content of the declaration of property and income of high-ranking officials and related persons in the fiscal year, property and income of high-ranking official and the related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities included in the declaration, as well as the property and income belonging to the spouse, dependent parent and dependent single child of the high-ranking official with the right of ownership in the fiscal year subject to publication (disclosure), according to the Annex N 2”,
 - c. edit sub-paragraph 3 as follows:

“3) define that the property and income of high-ranking officials and related persons in the fiscal year, property and income of high-ranking official and the related persons as of the date of assuming or resigning the official responsibilities, as well as the property and income belonging to the spouse, dependent parent and dependent single child of the high-ranking official shall be declared in the procedure prescribed in paragraph 1 of RA Government Decree N 1819-N of December 15, 2011, excluding the publication of the data not subject to disclosure according to the current Decree”.

3) Formulate the Annex N 1 to the Decree in new edition, according to the Annex N 1;

4) Paraphrase the Annex N 2 to the Decree in new edition, according to the Annex N 2;

5) Repeal the Annex N 3 to the Decree;

2. This law enters into force on the next day following its official publication.

**The Prime-Minister of the
Republic of Armenia**

T. Sargsyan

May 24, 2012
Yerevan

**Annex N 1
to the RA Government Decree N 627-N,
of May 3, 2012**

**«Annex N 1
to the RA Government Decree N 1835-N,
of December 15, 2011**

LIST

OF DATA TO BE PRESENTED IN THE DECLARATION OF THE PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL AND THE RELATED PERSONS IN THE FISCAL YEAR, PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL AND THE RELATED PERSONS AS OF THE DATE OF ASSUMING OR RESIGNING THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDED IN THE DECLARATION, AS WELL AS THE PROPERTY AND INCOME BELONGING TO THE SPOUSE, DEPENDENT PARENT AND DEPENDENT SINGLE CHILD OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL WITH THE RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP IN THE FISCAL YEAR SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)

1. The data to be presented in the declaration of the property and income of the high-ranking official and the related persons in the fiscal year subject to publication (disclosure) include:
 - 1) the fiscal year;
 - 2) the first, middle and the last name of the declarant (high-ranking official);
 - 3) the position of the high-ranking official;
 - 4) the day, month and year of assuming the position;
 - 5) the day, month and year of submitting the declaration;
 - 6) the first, middle and the last name of the spouse, dependent parent and dependent adult and single child of the high-ranking official;
 - 7) the first, the middle and the last name of the persons related to high-ranking official including the persons having second degree of relation to them, their position and the relation to the high-ranking official;
 - 8) the type of the real estate, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property disposed in the given fiscal year, if the total value of purchase or disposal transactions of the real estate exceeds AMD 50 million or equivalent;
 - 9) the type of mobile assets, the model, the serial number, the value and the currency of the asset obtained in the given fiscal year, if the unite price for the disposed asset in the fiscal year by the high-ranking official or his/her spouse, and in case of the purchase, of the purchased asset exceeds AMD 7 million or its equivalent;
 - 10) the type securities and (or) other documents proving any other investment and its currency, the value of securities purchased in the given fiscal year, the value of securities disposed in the given fiscal year, if the transaction value exceeds AMD 5million or its equivalent;
 - 11) the currency of the borrowing given or returned in the given fiscal year, the value of the borrowing given or returned in the given fiscal year, if the total value of borrowing transactions in the given fiscal year exceeds AMD 3 million or its equivalent;
 - 12) the name of valuable assets not specified in point B1-B4 of the declaration approved by sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property disposed in the given fiscal year;
 - 13) the currency of monetary funds, the amount at the beginning and at the end of the given

fiscal year;

- 14) the type, the currency, the amount in currency, and the total amount of the income in AMD and in products earned in the given fiscal year by the high-ranking official;
2. The data included in the declaration on the property and income of the high-ranking official and the related persons, subject to publication (disclosure) as of the date of assuming and resigning the responsibilities are:
- 1) the first, middle and the last name of the declarant (high-ranking official);
 - 2) the position of the high-ranking official;
 - 3) the day, month and year of assuming (resigning) the position;
 - 4) the day, month and year of submitting the declaration;
 - 5) the first, middle and the last name of the spouse, dependent parent and dependent adult single child of the high-ranking official;
 - 6) the first, middle and the last name of the persons related to high-ranking officials including the persons having second degree relation to them and holding a position, their position and the relation to the high-ranking official;
 - 7) the type of the real estates as of the date of assuming or resigning official responsibilities;
 - 8) the type, the model and the serial number of the mobile asset as of the date of assuming or resigning official responsibilities;
 - 9) the type, the value and the currency of securities and (or) the document proving other investment as of the date of assuming or resigning official responsibilities;
 - 10) the currency and the amount of the borrowing given or returned in the given fiscal year, if the borrowing given or returned exceeds AMD 3 million or its equivalent;
 - 11) the name, the brief description of any property (valuable property) existing prior to the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities of the high-ranking official, or the property purchased and disposed within the period of January 1 of the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning them, not included in points 2-5 of the declaration table, exceeding AMD 8 million or equivalent, which still exists as of the date of assuming or resigning the responsibilities;
 - 12) the currency and the amount of monetary funds, as of the date of assuming or resigning the responsibilities;
 - 13) the type, the currency, the amount in currency of any property existing in the prior fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities of the high-ranking official, or the property purchased and disposed within the period of January 1 of the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning, (total) amount of income in money and product.
3. The data included in the declaration of the property and income of the spouse, dependent parent, dependent adult single child possessing it with the right of property, subject to publication (disclosure) are:
- 1) the fiscal year;
 - 2) the first, middle and the last name of the high-ranking official;
 - 3) the position of the high-ranking official;
 - 4) the day, month and year of assuming the position;
 - 5) the first, middle and the last name of the spouse (the parent, the child);
 - 6) the day, month and year of submitting the declaration by the spouse (the parent, the child);
 - 7) the type of the real estate, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property disposed in the given fiscal year, if the total value of purchase or disposal transactions of the real estate exceeds AMD 50 million or equivalent;
 - 8) the type of the real estate owned by the dependent parent, adult single child living with the high-ranking official, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property disposed in the fiscal year, if the total amount of

- purchase or disposal transactions exceeds AMD 50 million or its equivalent;
- 9) the type and the model of mobile assets owned by the spouse of the high-ranking official, the serial number, the value and the currency of the asset obtained in the given fiscal year, or the value and the currency of the asset disposed in the given fiscal year, if the unit price for the asset disposed by the spouse of the high-ranking official in the fiscal year, or in case of purchase, purchased in the given fiscal year exceeds AMD 7 million or its equivalent;
 - 10) the type of the mobile asset of dependent parent, adult single child living with the high-ranking official, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property disposed in the fiscal year, if the total amount of purchase or disposal transactions made by the parent or single child of the high-ranking official exceeds AMD 8 million or its equivalent;
 - 11) the type, the value and the currency of securities and (or) the document proving other investment by the spouse of the high-ranking official in the fiscal year, the value of the securities purchased in fiscal year, the value of the securities disposed in the fiscal year, if the transaction value exceeds AMD 5 million or its equivalent;
 - 12) the type, the value and the currency of securities and (or) the document proving other investment by the dependent parent or single child of the high-ranking official in the fiscal year, the value of the securities purchased in fiscal year, the value of the securities disposed in the fiscal year, if the value of transactions made by the parent or single child of high-ranking official exceeds AMD 8 million or its equivalent.
 - 13) the currency of the borrowing given or returned by the spouse of the high-ranking official in the given fiscal year, the size of the borrowing given or returned in the given fiscal year, if the borrowing transaction value in the given fiscal year exceeds AMD 3 million or its equivalent;
 - 14) the currency of the borrowing given or returned by the parent or the single child of the high-ranking official in the given fiscal year, the size of the borrowing given or returned in the given fiscal year, if the borrowing transaction value in the given fiscal year exceeds AMD 8 million or its equivalent;
 - 15) the name of valuable assets of the spouse of high-ranking official not specified in point A1-A4 of the declaration approved by sub-paragraph 3 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency disposed in the given fiscal year, the value and currency of the asset purchased in the given fiscal year and the value and currency of the asset disposed in the given year;
 - 16) the name of valuable assets of the parent or adult single child living with high-ranking official not specified in point A1-A4 of the declaration approved by sub-paragraph 3 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency disposed in the given fiscal year, the value and currency of the asset purchased in the given fiscal year and the value and currency of the asset disposed in the given year;
 - 17) the currency of monetary funds owned by the spouse of high-ranking official, the amount at the beginning and at the end of the given fiscal year;
 - 18) the type, the currency, the amount in currency, and the total amount of the income in AMD and in product earned in the given fiscal year by the spouse of high-ranking official;
 - 19) the type, the currency, the amount in currency, and the total amount of the income in AMD and in product earned in the given fiscal year by the parent and the adult single child living with the high-ranking official".

**Chief of Staff of the Government
of the Republic of Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

**Annex N 2
to the RA Government Decree N 627-N,
of May 3, 2012**

**«Annex N 2
to the RA Government Decree N 1835-N,
of December 15, 2011**

CONTENT

OF THE DECLARATION OF THE PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND THE RELATED PERSONS IN THE FISCAL YEAR, PROPERTY AND INCOME OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL AND THE RELATED PERSONS AS OF THE DATE OF ASSUMING OR RESIGNING THE OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDED IN THE DECLARATION, AS WELL AS THE PROPERTY AND INCOME OWNED BY THE SPOUSE, DEPENDENT PARENT AND DEPENDENT SINGLE CHILD OF THE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL WITH THE RIGHT OF PROPERTY IN THE FISCAL YEAR SUBJECT TO PUBLICATION (DISCLOSURE)

1. The data to be included in the declaration of the property and income of the high-ranking officials in the fiscal year and the persons related to them and subject to publication (disclosure) shall contain the following information:
 - 1) the fiscal year for which the declaration is submitted;
 - 2) the first, middle and the last name of high-ranking official (declarant), as it is written in passport;
 - 3) full name of the position of high-ranking official, including the name of the state agency;
 - 4) the date of assuming the responsibilities;
 - 5) the date of submission of declaration;
 - 6) the first, middle and the last name of the parent and adult single child living with high-ranking official;
 - 7) the first, middle and the last name of the persons related to high-ranking officials or his/her spouse including the persons having second degree relation to them, their position and the relation to the high-ranking official or his/her spouse, full name of the position held, including the name of the state agency or the structural unit where he/she holds a position, the relation type;
 - 8) type of the real estate owned by the high-ranking official with the right of ownership, the plot, part of land, isolated water facility, forest, aged planting material, structure, construction, other property located on the land, disposed or purchased in the fiscal year, the total amount and the currency of those transactions;
 - 9) type, the serial number, the model, date of production, the price and the currency of the mobile assets owned by the high-ranking official with the right of property, and namely a vehicle, the working capacity of the motor of which exceeds 50 cubic cm, and with the maximum speed of 50 km/hours, as well as other trailer-truck or semi-trailer, wheeled, truck-chained, self-propelled vehicle or mechanism, air or water vehicle, disposed or purchased in the fiscal year;
 - 10) bonds purchased by the high-ranking official in the fiscal year and in case of disposal also disposed notes, the check, the promissory notes, shares and other documents classified as securities according to the law of the Republic of Armenia, except for the bank certificates and (or) other documents proving investment, i.e. the share, dividends (banknote and (or) other investment), as well as their value and the currency;
 - 11) borrowing given by or returned to high-ranking official in the fiscal year; borrowing is money (borrowed amount) or other property having specific features of the type given to a different person with the condition to return the same amount of money or the property with the equivalent value and having the same features and the type, the size of the borrowing, name of the currency;

- 12) the name of valuable assets not specified in point B1-B4 of the declaration approved by subparagraph 1 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency disposed in the given fiscal year;
 - 13) the currency of monetary funds owned by the spouse of high-ranking official, the amount at the beginning and at the end of the given fiscal year;
 - 14) type of the income earned in the fiscal year by the high-ranking official, name of the currency, the total size of the incomes in dram, other currency and product (non-monetary), the total size of the income in product (non-monetary) expressed in dram, the total size of the income in other currency, by the types of the currency;
2. The data included in the declaration on the property and income of the high-ranking official and the persons related to them as of the date assuming and resigning the position responsibilities subject to publication (disclosure) shall contain:
- 1) the first, middle and the last name of the declarant (high-ranking official);
 - 2) the position of the high-ranking official, including the name of the agency;
 - 3) the day, month and year of assuming (resigning) the position;
 - 4) the day, month and year of submitting the declaration;
 - 5) the first, middle and the last name of the spouse, parent and adult and single child of the high-ranking official;
 - 6) the first, middle and the last name of the persons related to high-ranking officials including the persons having second degree relation to them and holding a position, including the state agency and the structural division and the relation to the high-ranking official;
 - 7) the type of the real estate: the plot, the land, isolated water facility, the forest, aged plant material, structure, construction and other facility constructed on the land;
 - 8) the type, the serial number, model, date of production of the mobile asset owned by the high-ranking official with the right of property, and namely a vehicle the working capacity of the motor of which exceeds 50 cubic cm, and with the maximum speed of 50 km/hour, as well as other trailer-truck or semi-trailers, wheeled, truck-chained, self-propelled vehicle or mechanism, air or water vehicle, disposed or purchased in the fiscal year;
 - 9) securities, in particular the bonds, checks, the promissory note, shares and other documents classified as securities by the law of the Republic of Armenia, except for the bank certificates and (or) other documents proving investment, i.e. the share, dividends (banknote and (or) other investment), as well as their value and the currency;
 - 10) the currency and the amount of the borrowings as of the day of assuming or resigning of official position; borrowing is money (borrowed amount) or other property having specific features of the type given to a different person with the condition to return the same amount of money or the property with the equivalent value and having the same features and the type, the size of the borrowing, name of the currency;
 - 11) the name, brief description of any property (valuable property) and any other notes on valuable assets existing in the fiscal year prior to assuming or resigning the responsibilities of the high-ranking official, or the property purchased and disposed within the period of January 1 of the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning, not included in points 2-5 of the declaration table, exceeding AMD 8 million or equivalent, which still exist as of the date of assuming or resigning the responsibilities;
 - 12) the currency and the value of monetary funds as of the day of assuming or resigning the responsibilities;
 - 13) the type of the income, currency, the total amount of the income earned in the fiscal year prior to assuming or resigning the responsibilities of the high-ranking official, or the property purchased and disposed within the period of January 1 of the fiscal year of assuming or resigning the responsibilities up to the date of assuming or resigning, expressed in dram, foreign currency and products (non-monetary), total amount of the income in products (non-

monetary) expressed in dram, the total amount of the income in other currency by types of the currency.

3. The data included in the declaration of the property and income owned by the spouse, parent, adult single child with the right of property, subject to publication (disclosure) shall contain:
 - 1) the fiscal year for which the declaration is submitted;
 - 2) the first, middle and the last name of the high-ranking official;
 - 3) the name of the position of the high-ranking official, including the name of the state agency;
 - 4) the day, month and year of assuming the position;
 - 5) the first, middle and the last name of the spouse (the parent, the child) as it is in the passport;
 - 6) the day, month and year of submitting the declaration by the spouse (the parent, the child);
 - 7) the type of the real estate owned by the spouse of the high-ranking official with the right of property (a plot, a land, water facility, aged planting material, structure, construction, any other property on the land), obtained or disposed in the fiscal year, the value and the currency of the property;
 - 8) the type of the real estate owned by the parent or single child living with the high-ranking official with the right of property (a plot, a land, water facility, aged planting material, structure, construction, any other property on the land), obtained or disposed in the fiscal year, if the total value of transactions in the fiscal year exceeds AMD 50 million or its equivalent. And in case if the total value of purchase or disposal transactions exceed AMD 50 million, information about all purchase and disposal transactions, their value and the currency shall be specified as well;
 - 9) type, the serial number, model, date of production, the price and the currency of the mobile asset owned by the spouse of high-ranking official with the right of property, vehicle the working capacity of the motor of which exceeds 50 cubic cm and with the maximum speed of 50 km/hour, as well as other trailer-trucks or semi-trailers, wheeled, truck-chained, self-propelled vehicle or mechanism, air or water vehicles, disposed or purchased in the fiscal year,;
 - 10) type the serial number, model, date of production, the price and the currency of the mobile asset owned by the parent or adult single child of high-ranking official with the right of property, vehicle the working capacity of the motor of which exceeds 50 cubic cm and with the highest speed of 50 km/hour, as well as other trailer-trucks or semi-trailers, wheeled, truck-chained, self-propelled vehicle or mechanism, air and water vehicle, disposed or purchased in the fiscal year, if the total amount of purchase transactions and in case of disposal, the amount of disposal transactions exceed AMD 8 million or its equivalent. And in case if the total value of purchase or disposal transactions exceeds AMD 8 million, all purchase and disposal transactions of mobile assets, their value and the currency shall be specified as well;
 - 11) securities purchased or in case of disposal, disposed by the spouse of high-ranking official (the bond, check, promissory note, share and other documents classified as securities by the law of the Republic of Armenia), except for bank certificates and (or) or the documents proving other types of investment (the share, dividends (securities or other type of investment)), as well as the value and the currency;
 - 12) securities purchased or in case of disposal, disposed by the parent or adult single child of high-ranking official in the given fiscal year (the bond, check, promissory note, share and other documents classified as securities by the law of the Republic of Armenia), except for bank certificates and (or) or the documents proving other types of investment (the share, dividends (securities or other type of investment)), if the total value of purchase or disposal transactions exceeds AMD 8 million or its equivalent. And in case if the total value of transactions of purchases or disposals exceeds AMD 8 million, all purchase and disposal transactions related to securities, as well as their value and the currency shall be specified;
 - 13) the currency of the borrowing given by or returned to the spouse of the high-ranking official in the given fiscal year; borrowing is money (borrowed amount) or other property having specific features of the type given to a different person with the condition to return the same amount of

- money or the property with the equivalent value and having the same features and the type, the size of the borrowing, name of the currency
- 14) the name of valuable assets not specified in point B1-B4 of the declaration of the spouse of high-ranking official approved by sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency disposed in the given fiscal year;
 - 15) the name of valuable assets not specified in point B1-B4 of the declaration of the parents or adult and single child of high-ranking official approved by sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph 1 of the RA Government Decree N 1819-N, of December 15, 2011, exceeding AMD 8 million or its equivalent, the value and the currency of the property purchased in the given fiscal year, the value and the currency disposed in the given fiscal year;
 - 16) the currency of monetary funds of the high-ranking official, the amount at the beginning and at the end of the given fiscal year;
 - 17) the type, the currency, the amount in currency and the total amount of the income earned by the spouse of high-ranking official in AMD, in currency and in product (non-monetary), expressed in dram, foreign currency presented by the types of the currency;
 - 18) the type, the currency, the amount in currency, and the total amount of the income earned by the parent, adult and single child of high-ranking official in AMD, in currency and in product (non-monetary), expressed in dram, foreign currency and presented by the types of the currency”.

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5.6 Interviews

Wednesday, 21 November 2012, Yerevan
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ministry of Justice- Transparency International Ukraine- Media representative
Thursday, 22 November 2012, Yerevan
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commission on Ethics of High-Level Officials- Prosecutor General's Office, Anti-corruption Department
Friday, 23 November 2012, Yerevan
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Financial Monitoring Centre- Ministry of Justice