

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

## **Between the General Prosecutors' Office of the Republic of Armenia and the General Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Moldova**

The General Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Armenia and the General Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Moldova, hereinafter referred to as "Parties",

Confirming their wish to maintain and develop cooperation, based on respect for the principles of justice and the rule of law,

Wishing to build on the good relations which exist between the Republic of Armenia and Republic of Moldova,

Desiring to develop bilateral relations for the prevention and fight against criminality, corruption and money laundering, human trafficking and especially organized and trans-border crime,

Recognising the limits of their respective competences according to the legislation of their states.

HEREBY enter into the following Memorandum of Understanding,

### ***ARTICLE 1***

The Parties agree that from time to time they will enter into a mutual exchange of official delegations for learning from each other's experience and discussing problems of common interest.

### ***ARTICLE 2***

The parties shall regularly exchange information on legislation and jurisprudence in areas of common interest, taking into consideration the achievements of each country.

### ***ARTICLE 3***

The parties within the framework of their respective national procedures will provide to each other legal assistance subject to their national legislation and provisions of international treaties, to which their States are parties.

#### ***ARTICLE 4***

Within their competences and according to the legislation of their States, the Parties shall do their utmost and cooperate with the competent bodies in order to facilitate and accelerate the mutual legal assistance procedures.

#### ***ARTICLE 5***

In their communications the Parties use their State language attaching translated and verified according to their national legislation English or Russian version.

#### ***ARTICLE 6***

Any problems or disputes that may arise in giving effect to this Memorandum shall be solved amicably through consultations and negotiations in a spirit of constructive relations and mutual respect.

#### ***ARTICLE 7***

By the consent of the Parties this Memorandum may be amended or supplemented.

#### ***ARTICLE 8***

This Declaration is not intended to create any legally binding obligation and provisions of this Memorandum do not affect the rights and obligations arising from the other bilateral or multilateral international treaties to which Republic of Moldova and Republic of Armenia are parties.

#### ***ARTICLE 9***

This Memorandum will have effect from the day of its signing, and will remain valid so long as the Parties will decide, or according to the amendments that will refer to it' force.

**ARTICLE 10**

The validity of this Memorandum may be terminated three months after the date of receiving the written notification by one of the Parties to the other Party of its intention to terminate it.

Signed at Chishinau, on January ”\_29\_” 2012, in three original copies, each in Armenian, Romanian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergences in interpretations of the provisions of this Memorandum the English text shall prevail.

For the General Prosecutor’s Office of the Republic of Armenia Deputy General Prosecutor Mnatsakan Sarkisyan	For the General Prosecutor’s office of the Republic of Moldova General Prosecutor Valeriu Zubco
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