



*Anti-Corruption Institution
National Anti-Corruption Council*

*Announcement on the 48th Session of National Council Against Corruption
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National Council Against Corruption with the presence of 10 members out of its total 11 members opened its 48th session presided over by His Excellency **Top Sam**, the President of National Council Against Corruption where the following results were achieved:

1. NCAC reviewed, discussed, and approved the minute of the 47th session of National Council Against Corruption.
2. In relation to the overall evaluation on the performance of the Anti-Corruption Unit in 2014 by the National Council Against Corruption, the Council has thoroughly evaluated and highly appreciated each specific task fulfilled by the Unit in the forceful and dynamic spirit in fighting against corruption.

The National Council Against Corruption recalled that among the 81 core activities released by the Council to be implemented by the ACU which has been stipulated in the five-year strategic plan of the NCAC, 06 core activities have not yet been implemented.

The National Council Against Corruption noticed that up to the 15th of December, there were 899 complaints received by the Unit and among those complaints:

- 49% of the complaints were opened
- The government's institutions received most complaints were Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction, and Ministry of Health.
- 16% of complaints involved with officials appointed by Royal Decree, 19% of complaints involved with officials appointed by Sub-Decree, 52% of complaints involved with officials appointed by the Proclamation, and 12% of complaints involved with individuals, private sector, and NGOs.
- Most of the cases of complaints were related to unlawful exploitation, public services deliveries, extortion, improper bidding and procurement offenses.

The National Council Against Corruption highly evaluates the prevention and anti-corruption education work, the involvement in observing procurement and bidding procedure, the examination recruiting new cadre of officials within government's institutions, the national high school examinations activities done by the officials of the ACU which all these tasks have brought about a big, remarkable and historical changes and provoked the active participation from the private sector in fighting against corruption, especially the participation from big international companies through voluntary basis. The National Council Against Corruption noticed that the referral of the related corruption cases and suspects to the court by

the ACU is still done under the strict and determined manner in compliance with legal condition which in total there were 10 cases increased compared to the previous year.

For the year 2015, the National Council Against Corruption continuously urged and encouraged the ACU to:

- enhance the scope of work of disseminating Anti-Corruption Law and further strengthen the prevention and crackdown of corruption related offenses
- further work to develop and include the anti-corruption program into other levels of education curriculums
- further promote the implementation of public services delivery to become more effective
- continue to involve in observing the national high school examination activity
- to further enhance collaboration in the anti-corruption related activities with the private sector, media, civil society organizations, national & international NGOs, and with other countries in the region as well in the globe.
- prepare for the officials appointed by the proclamation making them declare their assets and liabilities
- continue to take action on the elimination of ghost officials within all concerned government's institutions both at national level and sub-national level
- further focus on the implementation of the 06 core remaining activities in the strategic plan paper within the next 06 months.

3. In addition to the report related to activities implemented by the ACU in December 2014, the ACU made a special report about:

- The development of new judicial police officers of the ACU
- Outline the plan for the campaign for the elimination of ghost officials 2015
- The division the tasks assigning the officials of the ACU to take charge in specific concerned ministries and the 25 provinces and capital
- Setting out new action related to the internal control as well as internal investigation aiming to ensure that the officials of the ACU shall not be able to commit any corrupt related offenses.

4. The National Council Against Corruption has urged the ACU to be well-prepared and pay more attention on the assets and liabilities declaration assignment for January 2015 to be as effective and successful as what was achieved in previous declaration cycles.

5. The National Council Against Corruption further encouraged the ACU to open more broader for the collaboration with concerned bodies to work actively and effectively on anti-money laundering and combating financing terrorism.

The National Council Against Corruption did congratulate the great success achieved by the ACU and the Council is very satisfied with the leadership and operations of the Unit, especially the Council highly appreciates the officials of the ACU for their active and enthusiastic performance, taking over all hardship and barriers they have faced which brings about new wave of the movement to fight against corruption to go further broader nationwide.

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