

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON POLICE COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF GEORGIA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR OF THE UNITED ARAB
EMIRATES

The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia and the Ministry of Interior of the United Arab Emirates hereinafter referred to as "the Parties";

Desiring to develop the friendship and cooperation ties between them and contributing to the enhancement of their cooperation in the areas of maintenance of security and the fight against crime;

Aware of the threat of organized crime and other forms of crimes that threaten public security of both countries;

Observing the respective national legislation of their states and having due regard to their international commitments;

Guided by principles of equality, reciprocity and mutual cooperation;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1
Objective

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is intended to develop, promote and strengthen bilateral cooperation within the competences of the Parties. In particular, emphasis is made on police cooperation, exchange of experience and capacity building in the areas of police activities.



Article 2
Scope of Cooperation

The Parties, acting under their jurisdiction in accordance with the national legislation and international obligations of their states, shall cooperate in accordance with the provisions of this MOU.

Article 3
Fields of Cooperation

The Parties shall cooperate in exchanging information with an aim to prevent, detect and eliminate all forms of crimes, particularly in fighting the following offences:

- a. serious crimes against persons and properties;
- b. organized crimes;
- c. Illegal production of, traffic in and possession of weapons, ammunition, explosive and chemical, biological, and other hazardous materials;
- d. trafficking in persons;
- e. illegal trafficking in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors;
- f. cybercrime;
- g. counterfeit of official and legal documents;
- h. cultural artifacts theft;
- i. vehicle theft;
- j. any other crimes as mutually agreed by the Parties.

Article 4
Forms of Cooperation

1. For the purpose of implementing this MOU, the Parties shall cooperate through exchange of information in the following areas according to the national legislations of their states:
 - a. crimes being planned to be committed or those which have been committed;
 - b. fugitives and people reported to be missing;

- c. new criminal modus operandi used in commission of crimes and new techniques in combating the crimes;
 - d. trading and smuggling of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, as well as suspected persons or criminal groups involved therein; means used in smuggling of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and their precursors; methods of concealment and smuggling routes; new types of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances; materials used in the manufacture and modern techniques used in the production and manufacture of drugs, as well as techniques and modern devices used in the detection and examination of drugs and psychotropic substances;
 - e. using controlled delivery to detect illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and substances utilized in manufacturing them and any other prohibited substances;
 - f. technology systems and security solutions;
 - g. necessary scientific, methodological and practical experience;
 - h. training and educational programs, courses, workshops and contribution in conferences, meetings, exhibitions and symposiums held by both Parties, as well as field visits;
 - i. legal texts and legislation as well as scientific researches;
 - j. best practices in security and policing fields;
 - k. training in cybercrime investigation;
 - l. fighting offences related to child sexual exploitation through networks;
 - m. cooperation and coordination in international meetings on relevant topics;
 - n. road traffic safety;
 - o. security on sportive events and anti-riot activities.
2. Other mutually agreed forms of cooperation may be introduced between the Parties.

Article 5 Future Cooperation

This MOU does not prevent the Parties from determining and developing other forms of cooperation taking into account the provisions of Article 2 of this MOU.

Article 6
Request for Cooperation

1. Subject to the provisions of this MOU, cooperation shall be rendered upon request or initiative by either Party.
2. Official request for cooperation shall be made in writing, however, in urgent cases, it may be made by fax or any secured means of communication to be mutually agreed upon, provided that it is confirmed by official request within 3 days. If any doubts emerge related to the authenticity or to the contents of the request, its additional confirmation could be asked for.
3. Official requests for cooperation shall contain the following information:
 - a. the name of the requesting authority and the name of the requested one if it is known;
 - b. facts and details of the case;
 - c. the purpose and reasons of the request;
 - d. a description of the cooperation requested;
 - e. any additional information that may properly assist in the execution of the request for cooperation.
4. Official request for cooperation shall be signed and sealed by the head of requesting agency or his deputy.

Article 7
Refusal of Request

1. The requested Party may refuse, completely or partially, to execute any request made in accordance with this MOU if the execution of such request may prejudice the sovereignty, security, public order or any other national interest or may contravene the national legislation or international obligations of its state.
2. The request for cooperation may be refused if the act in relation with which the request was forwarded is not punishable under the national legislation of the state of the requested Party.
3. The requested Party shall notify promptly the requesting Party of the reasons for the refusal.

Article 8
Execution of Request

1. The requested Party shall take necessary procedures to ensure urgent and complete execution of the request. The requesting Party shall be promptly informed of the circumstances that may hinder or cause any delay in the execution of the request.
2. The requested Party may ask for additional information as deemed necessary to execute the request.
3. The requested Party may, if there is a reason, postpone the execution of the request or determine specific conditions to its execution. If the requesting Party agrees to such conditions, it shall abide by them.
4. The requested Party, upon request of the requesting Party, shall take all necessary procedures to ensure the confidentiality of the request, its content and attachments as well as the confidentiality of the fact regarding the cooperation rendered. If it is not possible to execute a request without maintaining confidentiality, the requested Party shall inform the requesting Party who shall subsequently decide whether it is acceptable to execute the request under such conditions.
5. The requested Party shall at the earliest convenience inform the requesting Party of the result of the execution of the request.

Article 9
Rules of Using Received Information and Documents, Protection of Personal Data

1. The Parties shall not permit the use or release of any information or documents, including personal data, obtained under this MOU for purposes other than those stated in the request without prior written consent of the disclosing Party.
2. Information, including personal data, obtained by either Party shall not be disclosed to any third party without written consent of the other Party.
3. The sending Party shall ensure, that the personal data are correct and updated. If it is revealed that the transmitted data are not correct, the sending Party shall inform the receiving Party thereof. In case, if it is revealed that the transmitted personal data are not correct or updated,

or if their transmission were not allowed, the receiving Party shall correct and update, or destroy them and immediately inform the sending Party thereof.

4. The receiving Party shall destroy personal data transmitted to it right after the purpose, for which the personal data was transmitted, is achieved.
5. The receiving Party is responsible for the security of personal data. It shall take appropriate measures in order to protect personal data against accidental or unlawful destruction, alteration, disclosure, collection, any other form of unlawful use, and accidental or unlawful loss.

Article 10 Expenses

The requested Party shall bear the ordinary expenses of execution of request for cooperation under this MOU. If the execution of such request requires expenses of an extraordinary nature, the Parties shall consult in order to settle the terms and conditions under which the requested cooperation can be provided.

Article 11 Language

A request for cooperation under this MOU shall be in Georgian and Arabic languages with English translation, or in English language.

Article 12 Competent Authorities for Cooperation

1. For the purpose of implementing this MOU, cooperation shall be made through the following competent authorities:
 - a. For the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia:
 - Central Criminal Police Department;
 - International Relations Department.
 - b. For the Ministry of Interior of the United Arab Emirates:

- General Administration of Federal Criminal Police;
 - International Cooperation Department.
2. In the event of any change to the above-mentioned authorities, the Parties shall immediately notify each other through diplomatic channels.
 3. The Parties, when necessary, shall identify relevant units in order to establish direct contact points and communication channels.

Article 13
Meetings and Consultations

Representatives of both Parties, when necessary, may hold meetings and consultations on the implementation of this MOU.

Article 14
Disputes Settlement

All disputes, which may arise between the Parties in connection with the interpretation or implementation of this MOU, shall be settled amicably by both Parties through consultations and/or negotiations.

Article 15
Relation with Other International Agreements

1. This MOU shall not prejudice legal and judicial cooperation between the Parties in extradition and mutual legal assistance in criminal matters.
2. This MOU shall not prejudice rights or obligations of the Parties arising from other international agreements to which they are parties.

Article 16
Entry into Force, Termination and Amendment

1. This MOU enters into force upon signature and is effective for the indefinite period of time.

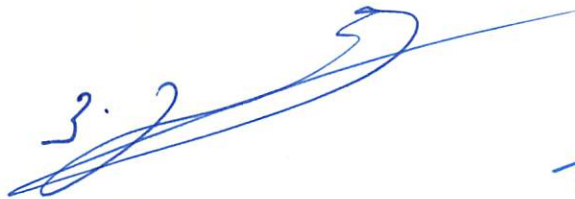
2. The amendments to this MOU may be initiated at any time by mutual consent of the Parties. The amendments shall be drawn up as a separate document and shall enter into force in accordance with the Paragraph 1 of this Article. Document formed thereby, shall constitute an integral part of this MOU.
3. This MOU may be terminated by either Party through the written notice. Termination will be effective after 6 month from the date of receipt through diplomatic channels of the written notice by the other Party. However, assistance already commenced shall continue and will be governed by this MOU until conclusion thereof.

As witness, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective ministries have signed this MOU.

Done remotely in Tbilisi and Abu Dhabi on 05/07/2021 in two original copies, each in Georgian, Arabic and English languages. All texts are equally authentic. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

For

**The Ministry of Internal
Affairs of Georgia**



**Police Lt. Gen.
Vakhtang Gomelauri
Minister of Internal Affairs**

For

**The Ministry of Interior of
The United Arab Emirates**



**Lt. Gen.
Saif Bin Zayed Al Nahyan
Deputy Prime Minister and
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