

THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS OF HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS

DECISION

ON

DISCONTINUING THE PROCEEDINGS ON PRIMA FACIE VIOLATION OF ETHICS RULES BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION ON PROTECTION OF ECONOMIC COMPETITION– ARTAK SHABOYAN

18-A

Yerevan city

March 17, 2016

The Commission on Ethics of High-Ranking Officials (hereinafter referred to as: the Commission) composed of S. Sahakyan (Chairman), L. Petrosyan, A. Khudaverdyan, A. Sargsyan, E. Shatiryan,

in accordance with Article 44 of the RA Law on Public Service, has discussed the question on prima facie violation of ethics rules prescribed in Paragraph 3 of Article 28 of the RA Law on Public Service by the Chairman of the Commission on Protection of Economic Competition– Artak Shaboyan.

Tigran Vardanyan – Director of “Maratuk Holding” LLC has submitted an application to the Commission on Ethics of High-Ranking Officials with the request to discuss the question of violation of ethics rules stipulated in the RA Law on Public Service by the Chairman of the Commission on Protection of Economic Competition– Artak Shaboyan.

In attachment of the publication was submitted a publication of “Pastinfo” news agency on the statement of the Chairman of the Commission on Protection of Economic Competition– Artak Shaboyan made on June 20, 2015 in Tsaghkadzor city (www.pastinfo.am/hy/node72664).

The Commission has by its decision 16-A of February 18, 2016 initiated proceedings on the basis of the application of Tigran Vardanyan – Director of “Maratuk Holding” LLC. The Commission has with its letter № E-327 sent its decision on initiation of proceedings to A. Shaboyan suggesting him to submit his objections and clarifications in ten days after receiving this decision.

On February 29, 2016 A. Shaboyan submitted his objections to the Commission.

On March 14, 2016 the Commission has received an application by the Director of “Maratuk Holding” LLC where the company informed that it didn’t insist on application any more.

With this respect, the Commission states that the Applicant has lost its legal interest on the discussion of the question raised in his application, which is a necessary condition for continuing the proceedings initiated on the basis of the application submitted by that person. Taking into account that the application was submitted before the term of one month foreseen by the law for making a conclusion was over; the Commission finds that the discussion of the question is to be discontinued.

On the basis of the above-written, the Commission on Ethics of High-Ranking Officials

HAS HEREBY DECIDED

- 1. to discontinue the examination of the question of prima facie violation of ethics rules prescribed by Paragraph 3 of Article 28 of the RA Law on Public Service in the framework of the proceedings initiated on the basis of the application of Tigran Vardanyan – Director of “Maratuk Holding” LLC;**
- 2. this decision shall enter into force from the moment of its adoption**

Chairperson of the Commission

S. Sahakyan