NEWSLETTER (January, 2015)

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AGAINST GIORGI KLDIASHVILI HAS BEEN TERMINATED



IDFI has made a special <u>statement</u> on illegal detention of its Director Giorgi Kldiashvili. Institute emphasized that Giorgi Kldiashvili was detained without any legal bases and addressed to the law enforcement institutions to stop purposeful pressure on the active member of civil society.

ON JANUARY 15TH, ACCORDING TO COURT'S <u>DECISION</u>, CRIMINAL PROS-ECUTION AGAINST KLDIASHVILI HAS BEEN TERMINATED. MOST OF THE MAIN EVIDENCES OF THE CASE OBTAINED BY THE PROSECUTION WAS DIS-MISSED BY THE JUDGE. GIORGI KLDIASHVILI WAS REPRESENTED BY LAW-YERS OF GEORGIAN YOUNG LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION (GYLA), LEVAN VEPKHVADZE AND MAIA KHUTSISHVILI.

AFTER THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE FILED AN APPEAL AGAINST THE DECI-

SION OF TBILISI CITY COURT ON 23TH OF JANUARY, 2015 TBILISI COURT RENDERED A DECISION ON THE APPEAL. THE JUDGE DID NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION ARGUMENTS OF THE PROSECUTION AND DID NOT AMEND THE DECISION OF THE FIRST INSTANCE COURT ON THE SUSPENSION OF CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

On the press-conference Giorgi Kldiashvili made a special statement regarding his illegal detention and spoke about legality of the actions undertaken by the Ministry of Internal Affairs. Also, he called prosecutor's office and Ministry of Internal Affairs to investigate the facts of his illegal detention and pressure on him. Giorgi Kldiashvili stated that he will definitely demand the moral compensation.

EXPENSES OF TBILISI CITY HALL (2013 – 2014)

ON NOVEMBER 5TH, 2014 IDFI ADDRESSED TO TBILISI CITY HALL REQUESTING VARIOUS PUBLIC INFORMATION. ACCORDING TO RE-CEIVED DATA IDFI PREPARED STATISTICAL ANALYZE.

COURT ACCEPTED THE APPEAL OF IDFI AGAINST MIA

ON 24TH DECEMBER IDFI'S APPEAL AGAINST MIA HAS BEEN FULLY ACCEPTED. HENCE MIA IS OBLIGED TO PROVIDE DETAILED INFOR-MATION REGARDING BONUSES AND SALARY SUPPLEMENTS OF MINISTRIES, DEPUTY MINISTRIES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS GIVEN IN 2013.

COALITION'S STATEMENT REGARDING THE SELECTION OF THE NEW CHIEF JUSTICE

Coalition for an Independent and Transparent Judiciary in which IDFI is one member, is addressing the issue of election of the New Chief Justice, which has already garnered growing public interest. The coalition did not agree on the initiative of the reduction of court assize. They <u>addressed</u> at the parliament of Georgia to support the initiative with further strong evidences.

IDFI WELCOMES THE NEW INITIATIVE OF PROACTIVE TRANSPARENCY IMPLEMENTED BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

IDFI welcomes the initiative of Ministry of Finance by which every citizen has opportunity to participate in the survey and share any idea about adding more detailed information on the official web-page of Ministry of Finance.



Activities within the framework of project Georgia 2020

Within the project Georgia 2020 IDFI conducted various lecturing courses in cooperation with Tbilisi State University, Grigol Robakidze University, GIPA and Telavi State University.

The program was supported by the University of Bremen, financed by the Federal Foreign Office of Germany.

On January, 15th the <u>discussion</u> about universal healthcare system in Georgia was held in which competent specialists, representatives of CSOs, Government and International Organizations participated.

One more important discussion has been devoted to the accumulative pension system in Georgia. The main speakers made substantial speeches about establishing new pension system in Georgia.

Civil society organizations call Parliament to set up a commission to study high-profile cases

Civil society organizations demand the objective and impartial investigations of the cases with high public interest including the death of Iuri Vazagashvili. They stated that the creation of a parliamentary commission is necessary.

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