

## **Pavel Lazarenko (Switzerland)**

**Case ID:**

ARW-154

**Jurisdiction of Origin of Public Official or Entity Allegedly Involved:**

Ukraine

**Position of Public Official(s) (yrs in office):**

Member of Parliament (1998); Prime Minister (1996-1997); First Vice Prime Minister (1995-1996); various government and political positions, Dnepropetrovsk region (1992-1995)

**Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery:**

Switzerland

**Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery ? Description:**

Undertaking Recovery Effort, Location of Recovery Effort, Asset Location / Alleged Asset Location

**Asset Recovery End:**

Ongoing

**UNCAC Offenses Implicated:**

Art.15

Art.17

Art.18

Art.20

Art.23

**Money laundering Implicated:**

Yes

**Legal Basis for Asset Recovery:**

Unspecified

**Intl.Cooperation: MLAT/Letter of Request?:**

Unknown

**Basis for Intl Cooperation:**

Unspecified

**Contributing Factors in Asset Recovery:**

Ongoing Case

**Status of Asset Recovery :**

Ongoing

**Stage in Asset Recovery Chain:**

Investigation/Asset Tracing/Asset Restraint

**Agreement for Returned Assets:**

Ongoing

**Agreement for Returned Assets - Description:**

N/A

**Case Summary:**

According to the Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, \$5.4 million remain frozen. (Source: Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, September 30, 2009).

**Disposition of Criminal Case(s):**

According to the U.S. Department of Justice Press Release dated November 19, 2009, Mr.

Lazarenko was sentenced to 97 months in prison, subsequent to his conviction on eight counts of money laundering. (Source: U.S. Department of Justice, "Former Ukrainian Prime Minister Sentenced to 97 Months in Prison," November 19, 2009.) According to BBC News, Mr. Lazarenko was convicted in Switzerland, in June 2000, on money laundering charges. (Sources: BBC News, "The case against Lazarenko," August 25, 2006. See also, Swiss court decisions: BGer 125 II 356 (excerpt, judgment of 25 June 1999) and BGer 125 II 238 (excerpt, judgment of 8 April 1999), both of Canton of Geneva, administrative law court).

**Jurisdiction of Origin: Investigative Agency:**

Prosecutor General

**Jurisdiction of Origin: Prosecuting Authority/Civil Attorney(s):**

Prosecutor General

**Jurisdiction of Origin: Courts Involved:**

Unknown

**Jurisdiction of Asset Recovery: Courts Involved:**

Unknown

**Documents:**

Lazarenko\_US\_NDCAL\_Sentence\_DOJ\_PR\_Nov\_19\_2009.pdf

**Documents Links:**

[http://www1.worldbank.org/finance/star\\_site/documents/arw/Lazarenko\\_US\\_N...](http://www1.worldbank.org/finance/star_site/documents/arw/Lazarenko_US_N...)

**Other Sources:**

Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, September 30, 2009.