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:

Documents Links:

Other Sources: