



A number of officials participate in a special side event An Account on the National Anti-Corruption Strategy

National Coordinating Committee for Preventing and Combating Corruption (NCCPCC) organized a special event under the theme of "National Anti-Corruption Strategy: best practices and challenges". The event was attended by Minister Hasan Abdel Shafi Ahmed, Chairman of the Administrative Authority and the President of the Ninth Session of Conference of the States Party, Mr. Ahmed Said Khalil, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Egyptian Money-Laundering and Terrorist Financing Unit, as well as a number of Egyptian and International officials. The event aimed to showcase the Egypt's commitment to implementing the provisions of the United Nations Convention against Corruption through adopting a diversity of institutional and legislative frameworks in accordance with Article 5 thereof regarding developing and implementing or maintaining effective, coordinated anti-corruption policies since the National Anti-Corruption Strategy the general framework for combating corruption in Egypt. was Egypt released the first version of the Strategy 2014- 2018 and the second version 2019- 2023.

In the presence of members of the Technical Secretariat of the National Coordinating Committee, representatives of the Administrative Control Authority, the Ministry of Justice and the President of the General Federation of NGOs, Egypt's experience in preventing and combating corruption and the progress in implementing the operational plan of the National Anti-Corruption Strategy 2019-2022 was presented during the event. Some of the best practices achieved for each of the Strategy's nine goals were reviewed, which could be adopted by any of

the States Parties. Mr. Ahmed Nur, Under-Secretary of the Administrative Control Authority, moderator of the event and members of the Technical Secretariat of the National Coordinating Committee, presented the methodology for the work of the National Strategy and highlighted the objectives achieved in a number of areas. They included "developing an efficient and effective administrative body, providing high-quality public services, implementing transparency and integrity mechanisms in government units, supporting law enforcement agencies to prevent and combat corruption, increasing community awareness of the importance of preventing and combating corruption, activating international and regional cooperation in preventing and combating corruption."

Judge Mahmoud Badran of the Egyptian Ministry of Justice also highlighted the most prominent developments of the legislative structure in support of combating corruption and the modernization of judicial procedures in order to achieve speedy justice.

The efforts of the Administrative Control Authority in launching community awareness campaigns against the dangers of corruption, the latest of which was the campaign entitled "Ya Tara Min Al-Kasban" or "Who is the winner", which is aired in the conference rooms, as well as the preparation of a national indicator to identify and combat corruption.

Dr. Talat Abdel Qawi, President of the General Federation of NGOs, also presented the best practices obtained from Goal 9 concerning the participation of civil society organizations and the private sector in preventing and combating corruption.



Addressing the Review Group on the Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption, Egypt Calls for a Code of Ethics for University Community

Addressing the Review Group on the Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption during their meeting, Egypt called for the need for the rationalization of issuing resolutions by the Conference in the hope of launching a new phase.

"At the outset, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the President of the Conference and the Secretariat for their efforts, wishing all State Parties success in completing the Conference's activities," Egypt's delegate said.

"Mr. President, Egypt has made the best use of the review mechanism and viewed it as an opportunity, an incentive and a challenge to complement the anti-corruption system. In the area of preventive measures, a section of the Constitution on oversight bodies and their independence was included. The United Nations was notified that the Administrative Control Authority was the body responsible for implementing articles 6 and 36 of the Convention. We also launched the second phase of the strategy in 2019, which achieved more than 85% of the desired targeted success rate by the end of its second year. We have also issued several codes of conduct, most recent of which is the Code of Ethics for University Community and we are in the process of issuing a code of conduct for the sports community as well. We have put a mechanized system in place for the implementation of the State's general budget and a plan for government procurement which were disseminated via electronic media. In addition, we launched media campaigns to raise citizens' awareness, the most recent of which was the observance of the World Anti-Corruption Day, 2021 under the theme of "Meen el-kasban" or "Who is the winner", introducing a unique model to emulate the Conference of State Parties by university students in November 2021. In the area of criminalization and law enforcement, we have en-

sured compatibility with international conventions. Despite our rich legislative base, we have enacted legislations for the civil service, the regulation of government contracts, the practice of civil work, investment and sport. We also have amended some legislations, most notable among them are the Penal and Criminal Procedure Codes, the Fight against Money-Laundering and Illicit Gain and the Administrative Control Authority Law, adding other offences to its competence and establishing the National Anti-Corruption Academy.

As for international cooperation, Egypt reviewed four countries. Its two reports were reviewed in the two sessions. Efforts of combating money-laundering were reviewed within the framework of our membership in the Middle East and North Africa Financial Action Task Force (MENAFATF) and we hosted the first African Anti-Corruption Forum.

In addition, as far as asset recovery is concerned, we have established the National Committee for Asset Recovery. Hence, the Public Prosecutor's Office has committed itself to implementing all requests for legal assistance in accordance with the United Nations Convention. The Anti-Money Laundering Unit has automatically adopted the exchange of information with counterpart units as part of its membership in the Egmont Group.

To conclude Mr. President, we call upon States to consider the rationalization of issuing resolutions in the hope of focusing on completing the second review cycle, postponed till June 2024 so that a new phase can be launched. In this regard, it is worth noting that the Conference's resolutions have reached 61, exceeding the number of articles of the Convention and the chapters under review.

Thank you for your attention.



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