

# Security Service of Ukraine unlawfully takes authority to verify e-declarations of its staff

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The Security Service of Ukraine (SSU) informed that it had conducted an investigation following the media story about luxurious cars of SSU officials, but had not identified facts of illicit enrichment. However, the SSU does not have the authority either to verify asset declarations or to investigate illicit enrichment of its officials. According to the law, verification of all asset declarations is under the responsibility of NACP, while respective criminal investigations of senior officials fall within the capacity of NABU.

However, neither NABU nor NACP have access to e-declarations of the SSU officials, which are submitted to closed parallel system. This is done not only to prevent public access to such declarations, but also to block NABU from investigating signs of corruption of SSU officials.

AntAC filed a lawsuit against SSU and NACP with demand to ensure public access to e-declarations of SSU senior officials as provided by the law on corruption prevention.