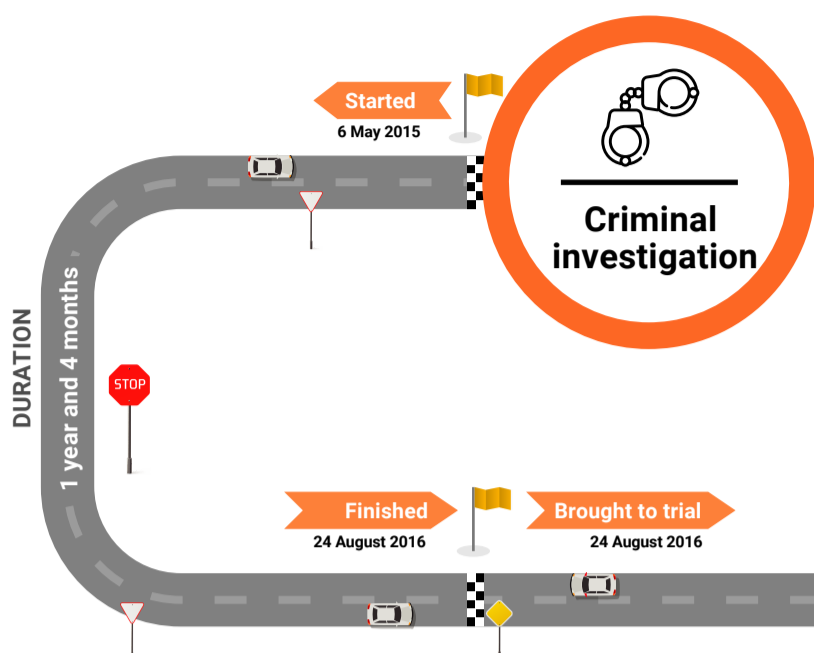


# The Saga of the Șor Case



## THE CHARGES brought by the prosecution

**fraud** and **money laundering** on a grand scale

## JUDGES' VERDICT

the infliction of **damage** on a grand scale

**money laundering** on a grand scale

**no evidence** that Ilan Șor got benefit from the crimes



sentence of **7.5 years'** imprisonment

overseas travel **ban\*\***

\*Judges sentenced Ilan Șor for a **less serious crime** than the one the prosecution charged him with.

The prosecution **did not request** the seizure of Ilan Șor's property.

Judges **dismissed** the claim of Banca de Economii for damages from Ilan Șor.

\*\*In June 2019, Ilan Șor left the Republic of Moldova illegally, **evading border control**.

DURATION  
10 months

The case went **with delay** to appellate court for failure to get the judgment translated into Russian.

### The Chișinău Court of Appeals

**Brought to appellate court**  
15 January 2018

**End of trial**  
21 June 2017

The Supreme Court of Justice **referred the case to the Cahul Court of Appeals** because the Chișinău Court of Appeals (21 judges) **did not find three judges** to examine it.

DURATION  
6 months

### The Cahul Court of Appeals

### Examination under appeal

The hearing of a criminal case under appeal takes **two months** on average.

The Șor Case has been in appellate court for **three years now**, and it is **still not finished**.

**First hearing**  
2 April 2018

out of **59** hearings

**51** were postponed

**8** were held

Until 1 April 2021, the court has scheduled 59 hearings, of which **51 were postponed**.

### THE REASONS FOR THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE HEARINGS

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recusal of judges

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lack of expert opinion ordered by court

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prosecutors' request

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the pandemic

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absence of lawyers

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reference to the Constitutional Court

In 2021, the judge handling the case has resigned. The examination of evidence must be resumed.

Until 2020, at the request of prosecutors, the Șor Case was examined behind closed doors. The first instance judgment has not been made public.

