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The attacks against the EU Ambassador Peter Michalko are a diversion!

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The ?OR Party, in the person of the fugitive MP Ilan ?OR, and the Party of Socialists of the Republic of Moldova (PSRM), have recently launched attacks on the EU Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Peter MICHALKO, in order to divert the attention from their undemocratic and unconstitutional maneuvers to retain the power after the loss of the presidential elections by Igor DODON.

The two parties blame the European diplomat for the various opinions he had and allege a so-called violation of the country's "sovereignty". In reality, it is a diversion: both the ?OR party and PSM seem rather concerned with securing a sovereign power in order to control state institutions, despite the fact that they have lost the support of the electorate.

Sovereignty is not affected by the EU Ambassador, who states that there have been deviations from the reform commitments officially assumed by the Republic of Moldova in the Association Agreement with the European Union, but by those who promote such attacks. Even the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova established the [unconstitutionality](#) of one of the draft laws adopted in December 2020, by a majority consisting of PSM, the ?or Party and the "for Moldova" group, which violated legal procedures and decision-making transparency.

Instead, "sovereignty" is the preferred concern of power-hungry politicians, who do not want their abuses to be sanctioned or criticized by anyone, either from the inside or the outside of the country, and who, thus, want to spread fear and distrust among citizens.

Ambassador Peter MICHALKO spoke from the position of the partnership and collaboration relationship between the European Union and the Republic of Moldova. In addition to the [Association Agreement](#) with the EU, signed by the Republic of Moldova in 2014, which includes a series of obligations on both sides, the EU is in a position of partnership in many other respects:

- Since 2009, the EU is the largest donor and development partner of the Republic of Moldova, contributing through Official External Assistance with about 1.12 billion euros, resources that went directly to the state budget;
- In addition, technical assistance projects have been implemented for central and local public authorities, civil society, and businesses. These investments resulted in 700 kilometers of roads, modern trolleybuses for Chisinau and Balti, access to drinking water for 16,000 people; thousands of jobs;

- The EU is the main trading partner of the Republic of Moldova, with 67% of exports in 2020.

Cooperation with the EU and respect for European standards and values actually strengthens the sovereignty of the Republic of Moldova and its economic, social and democratic development.

Under these conditions, the National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum expresses its solidarity with the EU Ambassador Peter MICHALKO and demands the political parties to refrain from turning European diplomats into political targets, focusing instead on finding democratic solutions to the political crisis, in accordance with the interests of the citizens.

The public statement in English is available [HERE](#).

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3. Alliance of Active NGOs for Social Protection of Child and Family
4. Alliance of Organisations for Persons with Disabilities
5. Alliance of Small Enterprises from Moldova
6. Amnesty International Moldova
7. AO "Institutum Virtutes Civilis"
8. Association for Efficient and Responsible Governance
9. Association for Participatory Democracy ADEPT
10. Association for Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities from Moldova
11. Association for Waste Recovery E-circular
12. Association of Environmental and Ecological Tourism Journalists
13. Association of Independent Press
14. Association of Women for Environmental Protection and Durable Development
15. Association "Youth for the Right to Live" (Romanian initials „TDV”)
16. Automobil Club Moldova
17. Ave Copiii
18. BIOS
19. BIOTICA
20. Business Consulting Institute
21. Business Professional Women
22. Caroma-Nord
23. CASMED
24. Centre for Development and Management
25. Centre for Independent Journalism
26. Centre for Policies and Reforms
27. Centre of Development in Education
28. Centre of Economic Development and Public Affairs
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- 56. Institute for Urban Development
- 57. Institute of Public Policies
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- 59. Interaction NGO
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- 61. International Centre for Women Rights Protection and Promotion “La Strada”
- 62. INVENTO
- 63. Keystone International Human Services Moldova
- 64. Labour Institute
- 65. Legal Resources Centre from Moldova
- 66. Local Democracy Agency Moldova
- 67. MilleniuM” Training and Development Institute
- 68. Moms in Action
- 69. National Association of European Trainers from Moldova
- 70. National Centre of Assistance and Information for Moldovan NGOs “CONTACT”
- 71. National Environment Centre
- 72. National LEADER Network in Moldova
- 73. National Roma Centre
- 74. National Trade Union Confederation of Moldova
- 75. National Trade Union Confederation „S?N?TATEA” din RM
- 76. National Youth Council of Moldova
- 77. Pro Regional Cooperation”
- 78. Pro-Europa” Centre from Comrat
- 79. Promo-LEX
- 80. Regional Centre for Durable Development from Ungheni
- 81. Regional Centre of Environmental Studies ECOS

- 82. Regional Centre „Contact” B?l?i
- 83. Regional Environment Centre from Moldova
- 84. Republican Centre for Children and Youth Gutta-Club
- 85. Small Business Association
- 86. Soros-Moldova Foundation
- 87. Terra-1530
- 88. The National Confederation of Employers of the Republic of Moldova
- 89. Transparency International Moldova
- 90. Union of Organisations for Persons with Disabilities from Moldova
- 91. VESTA” Gagauzia Regional Association
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