

MEMORANDUM
on Cooperation between the Federal Antimonopoly Service
of the Russian Federation and
the Romanian Competition Council

The Federal Antimonopoly Service of the Russian Federation and the Romanian Competition Council hereinafter referred to as Parties,

expressing a wish to develop and strengthen cooperation in the field of competition policy,

came to the following conclusion:

1. The Parties wish to provide:

a) in the field of exchange of legislation, informational and methodical materials:

the other Party with the texts of the laws and other normative acts that regulate the realization of the Party's activities;

the other Party with methodological, statistic and information data on the issues of the Party's activities.

All the materials should be transferred in English subject via international postal service, e-mail, fax or at meetings of representatives of the Parties.

b) in the field of providing methodological assistance, exchange of market study's results and holding consultations:

rendering of methodological assistance at the request of the Parties;

rendering consulting assistance at the request of the Parties;

c) in the field of attracting specialists of the other Party participation in the training process and study visits aimed at experience exchange:

Each Party is expected to annually organize study visits for the specialists of the other Party (e.g. two specialists for the period up to 5 days). The Parties shall coordinate the date of commencement, duration and the programme of a study visit in advance, so the opportunities of the receiving Party are taken into account.

d) in the field of holding international symposia, conferences and seminars:

invitation of the representatives of the Parties to participate in symposia, conferences and seminars on competition policy organized by the Parties.

2. In case of need the Parties render to each other the information and consulting assistance which is required to them for fulfilment of tasks in the field of development of the competition policy that were defined by legislation of the Parties.

The submission of the information should be carried out on the base of a request sent by one of the Parties, which should include the purpose of the information use, description of the case circumstances. Thereby the Party upon its own initiative and also on demand of other Party carries out transfer of information on other actions contradicting to the legislation of the state of the first Party that requiring acceptance of measures on ensuring its observance on commodity markets of the state of the first Party. The Parties shall use the received information with the purposes stated in the request only.

The requested information is provided within the time agreed by both Parties, but not later than forty five days (45) from the date the request has been received. The Party, which receives the request, should inform the other Party on circumstances, which could cause nonobservance of the given period of providing the information.

The Parties are obliged to observe the conditions of confidentiality of information delivered according to the national legislation of the States of the Parties.

3. The Parties wish to hold the meetings of the Heads of the Authorities not less than once a year with the purpose to determine the prospects of development of the bilateral cooperation and the issues of the mutual interest.

The date and the place of these meetings shall be discussed on case-by-case basis.

4. All the expenses related to transportation, food, accommodation and translation with regard of participation of specialists in different events and meetings shall be covered by the sending Party.

5. In case of need the Parties should hold additional consultations on the issues of the present Memorandum and the Agreement on Cooperation' implementation.

6. The present Memorandum shall not be considered as an international treaty and does not establish any rights or obligations for the Parties, which are regulated by international law.

Signed in Paris, on 21th October 2008, in two copies, each in Russian, Romanian and English. In the case of controversies in interpreting the text of the present Memorandum the text in English shall be used.

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