

UNM Chairman Melia holds briefing regarding mass outflow of employees at MIA



BY LIZA MCHEDLIDZE

Chairman of the "United National Movement" Nika Melia held a briefing regarding the outflow of employees from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, at which he stated that hundreds of policemen are leaving their jobs and going abroad.

"That the outflow of employees from the law enforcement structures is massive, this is demonstrated by the vacancies announced by the Ministry of Internal Affairs only in August - and the Ministry of Internal Affairs announced a competition to fill 145 vacancies only in the police department. The Police do not remember such a large-scale vacancy!

There are hundreds of reports with requests to leave the service, which are not accepted, but many run away without even asking. They run away and come to America through Mexico, they call to announce that they have left the agency. They are running away because this government does not leave a place for patriotic people in this country to stay," said Nika Melia.

The UNM leader stated that "the policemen are asked to fulfill so many illegal orders, the employees of the agency prefer to leave the country or go to other services". As Melia said at a

briefing held at the party office, the force that will come after the change of government will do everything to ensure that the police fight against criminals and not again against the opponents of the government.

"The stateless oligarch has established such a regime in this country that it has become unbearable to stay here even for hundreds of thousands of citizens who value their homeland. That's why people run away from this country! They prefer to live in a foreign country rather than being emigrated in their own country, rather than being displaced and excluded in their own homeland! Yes, not only hundreds of thousands of unemployed and job seekers are leaving this country, thousands of policemen are leaving this country - patriotic policemen employed in the system of the Ministry of Internal Affairs," Melia said.

According to the United National Movement leader, people working in Police Departments are asked to fulfill many illegal orders and they prefer to leave the police 'especially when employment is such a big issue in the country'. He also commented on the 'ridiculous and humiliating' salary Police officers have:

"Yes, gentlemen, police salaries are ridiculous and humiliating!" Their salary does not ex-

ceed 1,600 GEL, while their minister, Ivanishvili's personal bodyguard Gomelauri boasts of luxurious houses and country houses, pays for a wedding for his family member for several hundred thousand GEL, where he pays 5 thousand GEL for one cake only."

The Ministry of Internal Affairs published an announcement on 145 vacancies in the patrol police on August 17.

After materials were prepared in the media that the employees of the Ministry of Internal Affairs are leaving, on August 20, the Department of Strategic Communications responded to the information with a statement stating that "this is an attempt to mislead the public."

"The ministry is one of the most numerous agencies in the country, where 40,000 people work. Therefore, leaving employees and hiring new employees is a normal work process. Also, the usual work process is to open and transparently conduct the vacancies announced on the website of the Ministry in order to recruit new staff. "As for the competition announced on August 17 of this year, for filling 145 different vacancies in the Patrol Police Department of the Ministry in Tbilisi and the regions, it is due to the increase in the flow of passengers and transport at all border crossing points,

as well as the increase in the number of patrol police crews in the regions," the agency ex-

plained in the released statement.

Mayor Kaladze agrees with former deputies that Swiss Bank freezing Ivanishvili's accounts is a 'Racket'

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The Mayor of Tbilisi Kakha Kaladze, when asked by an interviewer regarding the statement of former 'Georgian Dream' deputies, who assess Swiss Bank's actions as a 'racket', he responded that he agrees with this statement and said that it can also be 'maybe even more' than a racket.

According to the mayor of the capital, the actions of the Swiss bank Credit Suisse violate the law and raise many questions:

"Why are they doing this? A person had these funds in a particular bank for years, and usually, without any obstacles, he was able to transfer this money and use it as needed. One fine

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The deputies Guram Macharashvili, Mikheil Kavelashvili, Dimitri Khundadze and Sozar Subari, who left the ruling 'Georgian Dream' party released a statement, evaluating Bidzina Ivanishvili's accounts being frozen by the Swiss bank.

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Former deputy head of State Security Service of Georgia publishes a letter from prison regarding ISFED



The former deputy head of the State Security Service of Georgia Soso Gogashvili published a letter from prison regarding ISFED being blocked from participating in the working group meeting for the revision of the Electoral Code by the ruling party Georgian Dream.

According to Gogashvili, Fair Elections (ISFED) and Transparency International (TI) are independent, authoritative, and highly experienced organizations, to whom he provided comprehensive information about the total fraud of elections in Georgia about a year ago.

According to his statement, by discriminatory blocking of ISFED and similar actions carried out by 'Georgian Dream', which he refers to as 'Rashist Dream' Georgia is further distanced from the Euro-Atlantic goal, progress and development, and instead, it is closer to Russia and hopelessness.

"All these steps, which the Collaborative Dream is taking today, are anti-con-

stitutional, anti-national and against the will of the majority of the Georgian people. ISFED and TI are independent, authoritative and experienced organizations. Almost a year ago, I gave non-governmental organizations comprehensive information about the total fraud of elections in Georgia. Naturally, with attached proofs and facts. After several months of work, they confirmed the information I provided, verified the relevant evidence, and published it in the form of a report.

In fact, these documents prove that the Rashist Dream has seized power by stealing the elections, that is, they do not have the legitimacy that the people normally give them by voting in elections. I want to assure you that there is no point in engaging in any work process with a Rashist Dream, it is a waste of time.

Soso Gogashvili says in a letter that he will personally do his best to help inform this process and finally 'unmask the Dream' in the eyes of the public and that he will publicly inform people about the agency planted by collaborators who are engaged in subversive activities, both in the opposition and in the core of civil society.

Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee Anri Okhanashvili meets with Ambassador of the Republic of Austria to Georgia Thomas Muehlmann

The chairman of the Committee on Legal Affairs and the head of the friendship group with the Parliament of the Republic of Austria Anri Okhanashvili met with the Ambassador of the Republic of Austria to Georgia Thomas

Muehlmann.

The press service of the Parliament of Georgia released information regarding this meeting. According to the press service, the parties talked about the planned

Austria with the Parliament of Georgia will visit us, which once again emphasizes the close cooperation between Georgia and Austria and their strong support for our country both politically and in



visit of members of the Austrian Parliament to Georgia and the ongoing political processes in the country.

According to Anri Okhanashvili, he provided the ambassador with detailed information on the activities of the working groups created in the legislative body within the framework of the implementation of the 12-point plan defined by the European Union.

"In September, the members of the friendship group of the Parliament of

general.

At the meeting, we also talked about current political processes. I have provided Mr. Ambassador with detailed information on the activities of the working groups created in the Parliament within the framework of the implementation of the 12-point plan defined by the European Union and on the issues discussed in this process," Anri Okhanashvili said after the meeting.

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They write that it seems that the 'similar regime' to former president Saakashvili's has been established in Switzerland, and there is racketeering, unfair courts and un-free media.

"During the past months, a

lot has been written about Switzerland. Historically, Switzerland was considered an advanced democratic country even in Europe. However, what is happening in this country today? If everything is true, what Bidzina Ivanishvili's lawyer and experts are talking about - racketeering, unfair court and non-free media, It was the signature of the government, the Saakashvili regime which is the embassy's favorite. It turns out that this model of management has been actively established in Switzerland today as well. We want the

kind of Europe that old Switzerland embodied. And the kind of Europe where the bank, the court and the media act in total coordination against justice and human rights, we really don't want to.

Georgians do not need to learn healthy liberal values and human rights from anyone. Vazha-Pshavela and Ilya Chavchavadze taught us this back in the 19th century. However, Vazha and Ilya also taught us the value of free-

dom and independence and assured us that nothing has a price if your self does not belong to you.

We do not want such a state where they try to establish radicalism and authoritarianism in the name of liberalism, democracy and human rights.

We don't want such a state where the government will drag its own country into a devastating war at the behest of someone else.

The pressure is strong, however, we believe that the power of the people equipped with the truth can overcome all obstacles" the letter reads.



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