MARKET SURVEILLANCE CONTRIBUTION IN THE COMBAT AGAINST COUNTERFEIT GOODS

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Jurisdiction in the field of Market Surveillance

Ministry of Internal and Foreign Trade-Market Inspection Sector:

- Low Voltage equipment (LVD)
- Electromagnetic compatibility (EMCD)
- Machinery (MD)
- Radio equipment (RED)
- Construction Products (CPR)
- ATEX
- Other product categories
- •General Product Safety and coordination in the National System for the exchange of Information on Dangerous Products
- Support Product Safety Council in the coordination of Market Surveillance

Role in combatting counterfeit products

Ministry of Internal and Foreign Trade-Market Inspection Sector apart from the control of product compliance and safety (Market Surveillance) is in charge of the Enforcement of Intellectual property Rights, especillay industrial property rights:

- Trademarks
- Copyrights
- Patents
- Designs
- Geografical indications

Legal & Institutional framework has been established

Special powers of the competent IPR Enforcement Authorities

Ministry of Internal and Foreign Trade-Market Surveillance inspectors

- Perform inspection of production and commerce of goods infringing industrial property rights
- •Start administrative procedure <u>ex officio</u> or at the request of the IPR holder –<u>Application for Action (AfA)</u>
- Identify counterfeit goods and supply chain
- Provide evidence and samples ask for expertise
- •Undertaken temporary measures including the detention of goods with the reasonable suspicion of infringement of the protected IPR, that should be verified by a competent court

Special powers of the competent IPR Enforcement Authorities

- Out-of-court settlement
- The competent authority should exclude counterfeit or pirated goods from the circulation
- Final administrative decision
- Destruction of counterfeit and pirated goods
- Cooperation with IPR holder
- Cooperation with the Market Surveillance Authority competent for <u>dangerous waste</u> and <u>environmental protection</u> and those competent for other risks depending on the kind of goods

Market Inspection Sector Statistics of Market Surveillance activities

Year	NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS CARRIED OUT IN THE FIELD OF GENERAL PRODUCT SAFETY	NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS IN THE FIELD OF CONTROL PRODUCT COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY	NUMBER OF RESTRICTIVE AND CORECTIVE MEASURRES FOR NON-COMPLIANT AND UNSAFE PRODUCTS	NOTIFICATIONS ON DANGEROUS PRODUCT www.nepro.gov.rs
2022	565	3519	468	90
2023	529	3588	583	100

Market Inspection Sektor Statistics of IPR Enforcement

Year	NUMBER OF INSPECTIO NS CARRIED OUT	EX OFFICIO	APPLICATION OF ACTION	NUMBER OF DETAINED PIECES DETAINED OF COUNTERFEIT GOODS	NUMBER OF DESTROYED COUNTERFEIT GOODS
2022	3880	1875	2005	952922	321362
2023	3696	1784	1912	800351	739750

COOPERATION

- Cooperation between Market Surveillance Authorities/IPR enforcement authorities and Customs Authority
- Cooperation with specialized prosecution office for high-tech crime
- Coordinated cooperation with IP rights holders and organizations for the collective protection of intellectual property rights other professional organisations and consumer organisation
- Monitoring and analysing trends
- Assessment of the extent of counterfeiting, consequences and links to health and safety risks
- Public perception
- •The importance of cooperation with intellectual property office for effective Law enforcement

Thank you very much for your attention

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