(Translated from Russian)

Information concerning Gaspar Israpilovich Matalaev

Gaspar Israpilovich Matalaev, born on 16 June 1982 in the town of Turkmenabat, of Kazakh nationality, a citizen of Turkmenistan, ██████████████████████ ████████████████████.

Summary of the case

G.I. Matalaev, having promised to facilitate the recruitment of ██████████ ██████████ as a kitchen hand in the branch of the "SNRS" company of the People's Republic of China which is located in the Farap district of Lebap province, took 2,400 manat from her and misappropriated her property by means of deceit and an abuse of trust.

It was concluded from the material which had been collected in the inquiry that fraud had been committed and on 5 October 2016 the investigative unit of the Lebap provincial police department initiated criminal proceedings under article 228 (2) (fraud) of the Criminal Code of Turkmenistan.

On 5 October 2016, the Turkmenabat Municipal Court found G.I. Matalaev guilty of the commission of crimes under articles 33-4 and 185 (1) (bribery) and 228 (2) (fraud) of the Criminal Code and for the totality of his criminal conduct he was sentenced to 3 years' imprisonment on the basis of article 63 of the Criminal Code (cumulative sentencing). He is serving the sentence in the LB-K/12 correctional facility of the Lebap provincial police department.

G.I. Matalaev's statement regarding torture, including the use of electric shocks, by staff of the law enforcement agencies of Turkmenistan, in order to force him to confess in the criminal case in question, is unsubstantiated.

Contrary to G.I. Matalaev's statement that he has been denied visits by his relatives, we inform (you) that he is permitted regular visits from his relatives. To date he has been permitted two short meetings on 24 December 2016 and 2 February 2017 and one long meeting on 18 November 2016. To date he has received six food parcels from his relatives on 20 October 2016, 18 November 2016, 22 November 2016, 2 December 2016, 10 December 2016 and 12 January 2017.

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