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## Special operation of the CBA and the Ukrainian NABU

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Joint activities of the CBA and the Ukrainian anti-corruption service, NABU, have brought results. The officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów in cooperation with NABU have caught two men from Poland and Ukraine red-handed in the act of taking a bribe. The men were invoking influences in the customs and tax authorities and border services both in our country and neighbouring Ukraine. The detainees, in exchange of bribes, were to arrange the import and export of goods of considerable value without registration during border control.

The special operation was aimed at verifying the criminal activity of the above-mentioned persons. Finally, the detainees were to smuggle goods worth 1,200,000 zlotys. They demanded 80,000 zlotys for "help". During the special operation, they took 10,000 zlotys, the remaining part of the material benefit was to be given to them after the completion of the entire plan.

The men were transferred to the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Lublin. Our officers at this stage of the proceedings are determining further persons who may have been involved in this corrupt practice. The investigation is developmental and it cannot be excluded that tax fraud and money laundering has also occurred.

The Central Anti-Corruption Bureau informs that the Polish law provides for the possibility of using the so-called impunity clause, excluding criminal liability in a situation where a person notifies the authority responsible for prosecution before it learns about this corruption offense and voluntarily discloses all the relevant circumstances of the offense.

Therefore, the CBA asks persons who may have been involved in corruption and gave a material or personal benefit to voluntarily report it to the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów.

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