

Football and Impunity

Today, November 3, 2021, the Moldovan Football Champion #SheriffTiraspol will play in the 4th match of the European Champions League #UCL with #InterMilano.

The match takes place on the eve of the 71st anniversary of the signing of the European Convention on Human Rights, an event that took place on November 4, 1950 in Rome.

From 2004 until now, the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) has handed down 47 judgments and a decision in 76 cases, finding that at least one right guaranteed by the Convention has been violated as a result of human rights violations in the Transnistrian region. In 31 judgments and one decision out of 58 cases, the applicants were represented by lawyers from the LEX Promo Association. The amount of moral damages alone amounts to over 5 million Euros. In most of the decisions issued by the ECtHR responsible for human rights violations in the Transnistrian region, the Russian Federation was recognized, which, thanks to its political, economic and military support, ensures the functioning of the illegal system created in this region.

The #Sheriff holding, which also owns the football club of the same name, exercises control over the separatist regime through local and regional government officials.

According to information from the public, but also as a result of the information provided by the applicants' lawyers, we identified at least 350 persons responsible for human rights violations on the left bank of the Dniester river. At least 330 of them are representatives of the de facto administration in Tiraspol, and some are still in office today! Of all those 330 people, no one was held liable for the abuses.

One of these people is the founder of the Sheriff Holding, Victor Gușan. In the Ilascu case, he was one of the persons

who participated in the abduction of the applicants and their transmission to an illegal tribunal.

