

# Promo-LEX: On the day of presidential elections in the Republic of Moldova we find electoral posters in the vicinity of polling stations and deficient operation of SAIS “Elections”

*Time:  
9.30 am*



The Promo-LEX Observation Mission of the presidential elections finds that at the opening of the polling stations in the country, electoral posters were present in the vicinity of polling stations. In addition, observers inform about the deficient operation of SAIS “Elections”.

**Restricted access or preventing the free observation process at the polling station – 5 cases**

- In PS 6, Straseni, entry into the polling station was denied until 7.00 am.
- In PS 9, Orhei, the elections are boycotted. The elderly are blackmailed to lose their discount cards if they vote. Some people are counting how many people are entering the polling station
- In PS 1, Anenii Noi, the EOPS chair did not allow Promo-LEX observer to enter the PS
- In PS 259, Chisinau, the observers of PP PAS were not allowed to enter the polling station
- In PS 19, Cirnateni, the Promo-LEX observer was assaulted by EOPS chair, who took his ID card to make a copy

**Presence of advertising materials, electoral billboards and posters in the vicinity of the polling station (within the area of 100 m from the PS) – 27 cases**

Such cases were reported in PS 15, 12 Balti, SV 34, Cahul, PS 39, 40 Calarasi, PS 8, 16, Ialoveni, PS 7, Nisporeni, PS 37 Cimislia, PS 9, Orhei, PS 7, Ungheni, PS 3, Edinet, PS 3, Basarabasca, PS 34, Cahul, PS 4 Glodeni, PS 59, Ungheni, PS 8, Ialoveni, PS 6, Ungheni, PS 4 Gagauzia ATU, PS 128, 152, 198, 278, 288 Chisinau, PS 394, Brasov.

**Ballot boxes were not sealed according to the legal procedures – 8 cases**

PS 40, Calarasi, PS 9, Orhei, PS 12, Balti, PS 32, Glodeni, PS 278, 198 Chisinau, PS 50, Florești, PS 32, Glodeni

**Unjustified presence of unauthorized persons inside or within 50 m from the polling station – 1 case**

PS 17, Soldandesti

**Ballot papers that are not distributed to EOPS members are not kept in a safe place at the polling station – 2 cases**

PS 40, Calarasi, PS 27, Ialoveni

**Electioneering or black PR within the perimeter and/or near the polling station to influence the voters – 1 case**

PS 69, Ungheni, 1 voter – made negative PR for a candidate within the polling station

**Organized transportation of voters – 1 case**

PS 208, Chisinau

**Deficient operation of SAIS “Elections” – 13 cases**

PS 4, 16, 17, 26, 30, 36, 42 Cimislia, PS 3, 8, 1 Donduseni, PS 7, Basarabasca, PS 8, 20, 33 Criuleni

**Other incidents:**

In PS 114 Chisinau, a ballot paper was released with the seal “withdrawn” applied for candidate Mihai Ghipu, and not for Marian Lupu

In PS 114, Chisinau, a voter found two foreign persons recorded on his personal address on the lists of voters

PS 411, Odessa, the polling station was opened at 7:40 am, on grounds that an insufficient number of OPS members were present at 7:00 am. No voter came to vote before 7:40 am, when the polling station was opened.

**At 2.30 pm, Promo-LEX will come with new information about the quality of the voting process and statistical data at the national level.**

## #observatorPromoLEX

Free access into the polling station for the observers



**Yes** 99%

**No** 1%

## #observatorPromoLEX

Display of advertising materials in the vicinity of the polling station



**Yes** 4%

**No** 96%

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Were the ballot boxes sealed according to the legal procedures?



**Yes** 99%

**No** 1%

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Opening of the polling stations:



at 7:00 **95%**



after 7:00 **5%**

## #observatorPromoLEX

Is the polling station's facility accessible for disabled people?



**Yes 64%**

**No 36%**

## #observatorPromoLEX

Are the polling stations provided with appropriate equipment for persons with mobility impairments?



**Yes 77%**

**No 23%**

## #observatorPromoLEX

Are the polling stations provided with appropriate equipment for persons with vision impairments?



Yes 67%

No 33%

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Did you note the unjustified presence of unauthorized persons inside or within 50 m from the polling station?



Yes 7%

No 93%



*Promo-LEX Observation Mission consists of 42 long-term observers who monitor the electoral process in all constituencies of the Republic of Moldova during 31 August – 30 November 2016. On the election day, Promo-LEX delegated a short-term observer in each polling station of the country. Promo-LEX EOM will also perform the Parallel Vote Tabulation in all polling stations. The Mission monitors the electoral process in 47 polling stations open abroad. The observers involved in the monitoring process signed the Code of Conduct of the Promo-LEX Independent National Observer, assuming the commitment to act efficiently, in good faith and in a non-partisan manner. The activity of all observers is coordinated by a central team consisting of 37 persons.*

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