

**Answers of the questionnaire on the negative impact of the non-repatriation of funds of illicit origin to the countries of origin on the enjoyment of human rights, and the importance of improving international cooperation” from the Human Rights Defender’s Office of the Republic of Armenia**

The Human Rights Defender’s Office of the Republic of Armenia (HRDO) attaches a great importance to the essence of the issues that you raised in the Questionnaire regarding to the negative impact of the non-repatriation of funds of illicit origin to the countries of origin on the enjoyment of human rights, and the importance of improving international cooperation. Meanwhile, in regard to 2-5 questions of the Questionnaire please note that the HRDO has not received and examined any complaint related to the issue and no comprehensive study or research was conducted by HRDO based on which we can objectively answer to the raised questions.

Concerning question 6, the States, United Nations, non-governmental organizations, national human rights institutions and financial institutions can contribute by deep cooperation, developing preventive mechanisms, raising public awareness, monitoring and making relevant amendments in national legislations.

Related to your last question due to the lack of relevant experience and study we cannot stress how it will positively influence on the issue, but overall we evaluate it positively.