ROAD MAP FOR COMBATING CORRUPTION

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STRONG AND INDEPENDENT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

2. STRONG AND INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY, FROM TOP TO BOTTOM.

3. INDEPENDENT MEDIA (TV, RADIO, NEWSPAPERS).

4. PROACTIVE CIVIL SOCIETY, INCLUDING PRESENCE OF ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL FOCUSED ON FIGHTING CORRUPTION.

5. MODERN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT LEGISLATION,

8. LONG-TERM STATUTES OF LIMITATION, IN ORDER TO KEEP ALIVE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE THE INDICTMENT AND PROSECUTION OF CORRUPT OFFICIALS.

9. PROHIBITING COMPANIES INDICTED OR CONVICTED OF CORRUPTION ACTS ANYWHERE FROM FUTURE PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC PROJECTS.

10. PROACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA (E.G., FACEBOOK, TWITTER, WHATSAPP, ETC.) TO DENOUNCE CORRUPTION AND CALL FOR PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS IF NECESSARY.

11. SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND ADVERTISEMENTS THAT RAISE AWARENESS OF THE EVILS OF CORRUPTION.

12. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEASURES PROPOSED BY THE FINANCIAL ACTION TASK FORCE (FATF) TO COMBAT MONEY LAUNDERING AND BY THE OECD TO COMBAT TAX EVASION, INCLUDING PROTOCOLS FOR MULTILATERAL AUTOMATIC EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.

13. VIGOROUS IMPLEMENTATION BY THE UNITED STATES OF THE GLOBAL MAGNITSKY HUMAN RIGHTS ACCOUNTABILITY ACT CALLING FOR VISA REVOCATION AND FREEZING OF ASSETS OF FOREIGN NATIONALS ENGAGED IN CORRUPT ACTIVITIES.

14. TIGHTER DUE DILIGENCE CONTROLS OF REAL ESTATE PURCHASES IN ORDER TO AVOID THE LAUNDERING OF ILL GOTTEN FUNDS BY CORRUPT PUBLIC OFFICIALS (E.G., CASE OF NY APARTMENTS BOUGHT USING FUNDS STOLEN FROM THE MALAYSIAN WEALTH FUND).

15. ENFORCEMENT OF EXTRADITION TREATIES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UN CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION (UNCAC), IN ORDER TO FACILITATE ASSET RECOVERY.