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Press release

## Protest against the content of the anticorruption law

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The mother-organization of Transparency International - Romania took over TI-Romania's public protest against the severe lacks of the recently adopted package of anticorruption laws.

The release, taken by the mother-organization's website [www.transparency.org](http://www.transparency.org), can be found here (link).

You can find above the attached release, in English.

2.

We remind that today we opened at the UNESCO Centre, from str. Cehov 8, Primaverii quarter, a cartoon exhibition called "The end of corruption".

The exhibiting artists come from seven former communist countries: Bulgaria, The Czech Republic, The Republic of Moldova, Macedonia, Serbia, Romania, and Hungary. The cartoons were created by: Alex Dimitrov – The Republic of Moldova; Delcho Mihajlov – Macedonia; Nikola Otas – Serbia; Ilian Savkov – Bulgaria; Richard Svitalsky – The Czech Republic; Robert Laszlo Szabo – Hungary; and, from Romania, by: Aurel Stefan Alexandrescu; Ion Barbu; Nicolae Ionita; Nicolae Lengher; Leonte Nastase; Cristi Topan; Dan Silviu Turculet

The cartoons, whose message attack the corruption acts and the corrupted, so similar in their countries, were realized in the 19 / 22 March 2003 period, within a creation workshop organized in Busteni by Transparency International – Romania.

The creation workshop and the cartoonists' exhibition are part of a regional project of Transparency International – Romania, called the Regional Initiative for an Integrity Message.

Within this project, simultaneous with the cartoonists' meeting, investigation journalists from the same former communist countries gathered together in Bucharest in order to discuss their professional situation and to find concrete collaboration solutions for unveiling the corruption cases they discover.

TI-Romania's partners in this project were: Cartoonists Rights Network – Romania, Media Monitoring Agency– Academia Catavencu, and the Goethe Institute – Bucharest.

The CONCEPT Foundation and Transparency International's General Secretary, from Berlin, Germany, financially sustained this project realized by TI-Romania. The exhibition will be open until 7 April 2003.

Transparency International is the global civil society organization leading the fight against corruption.