

# **INDIVIDUAL PARTNERSHIP ACTION PLAN (IPAP) REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA – NATO FOR 2017-2019**

## **Part I. Key policy and reform objectives of the Republic of Moldova**

### **CHAPTER I. Political and security related subjects**

#### **1.1. Cooperation with European and Euro-Atlantic structures and institutions**

The Republic of Moldova is committed to further deepening the cooperation with NATO, the main instrument of which is the Individual Partnership Action Plan. In the process of updating this document, the authorities took into account all practical measures mutually agreed by the Republic of Moldova and the Allies in order to enhance bilateral cooperation.

Political association and economic integration into the European Union by implementing the Association Agreement as well as deepening political dialogue and practical cooperation with the Euro-Atlantic structures continue to stand as the main strategic objectives for the development of the country.

The Republic of Moldova – NATO cooperation is based on the respect for the Republic of Moldova's constitutional neutrality. As a neutral country, the Republic of Moldova does not pursue the implementation of IPAP with the objective of becoming a NATO member, but intends to implement this plan in order to advance the process of reforms and modernization of its national security and defence sector in accordance with the new developments and requirements of the security environment. To this end, the Republic of Moldova will make use of the legal and political basis, including relevant institutional mechanisms, which were set up during the previous phases of IPAP implementation.

In the same regard, in the process of IPAP implementation the authorities of the Republic of Moldova will conduct their activities in line with the decision nr. 14 of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova of 2nd of May 2017 concerning the interpretation of the article 11 of the Constitution on the permanent neutrality of the country, which states that „the participation of the Republic of Moldova to the collective security systems, such as United Nations security system, peacekeeping operations, humanitarian operations, those which seek to impose collective sanctions against the aggressors and against those who violate the international law, does not contradict the neutrality status of the country”.

Establishing the NATO Liaison Office (NLO) in the Republic of Moldova provides new possibilities to enhance the dialogue and practical cooperation in the process of the implementation of reforms in the security and defence sector, implementation of assistance projects, public diplomacy activities. The Republic of Moldova will take actions to develop a consistent cooperation with NLO in the areas of interest.

At the same time, the Republic of Moldova will capitalize the cooperation possibilities within the Defence and Related Security Capacity Building (DCB) Initiative and Interoperability Platform (IP). While implementing the IPAP, the Republic of Moldova will closely work with the EU and other international organizations with the aim to ensure the complementarity of the IPAP with the Republic of Moldova-EU Association Agreement and the National Development Strategy.

## **1.2. Democratic reforms, human rights, rule of law, fight against corruption, migration,**

The Republic of Moldova will continue cooperation with the Council of Europe, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the European Union in order to promote democratic reforms, to ensure the rule of law and to adjust national legislation and practices in the field of human rights in line with the relevant international standards. The Republic of Moldova will continue to undertake efforts in order to comply with its obligations and commitments to the Council of Europe, through the implementation of related recommendations and resolutions adopted by the Committee of Ministers, Parliamentary Assembly and the Congress of the Local and Regional Authorities, included also in the Action Plan on the Republic of Moldova's commitments towards the Council of Europe with the aim to conclude the monitoring process by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe.

At the same time, the Republic of Moldova will cooperate with the Council of Europe and European Commission in the process of Programs implementation of aimed at adjusting national practices in line with the European standards. To this end further efforts will be undertaken by the national authorities for the development of the new policy document in order to ensure the continuity of the reforms in justice sector, the development of institutional integrity climate by promoting zero tolerance to corruption, implementation of the National Action Plan on Human Rights for 2017-2021 and of the roadmap related to local and regional democracy in the Republic of Moldova as well as other relevant actions.

The Republic of Moldova will work closely with the Council of Europe and other international partners in order to enhance its efforts in fight against corruption, including, for the implementation of GRECO recommendations and of the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

As an important part of the dialogue with NATO, the Republic of Moldova will develop further the cooperation with the Alliance within the Building Integrity (BI) Programme. In addition to the DCB, BI will help the Republic of Moldova' authorities to enhance the efficiency of the security and defence institutions, by assisting in improvement of the financial and human resources management, strengthening integrity, transparency and reduction of corruption risks.

Taking into account regional and international developments, the Republic of Moldova will take necessary measures for developing an efficient national mechanism of management in case of increased migrants flow. The authorities will seek cooperation with NATO allies and

partners as well as with other relevant international organizations with the aim of information sharing and ensuring the implementation of international standards and best practices at the national level.

### **1.3. Territorial integrity and relations with neighbours**

The Republic of Moldova stands for peaceful settlement of the Transnistrian conflict within the 5+2 negotiating format. A comprehensive and viable solution of the Transnistrian conflict should be based on the respect of sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova within its internationally recognized borders with a special status for the Transnistrian region. The Republic of Moldova pays increased attention to promoting confidence building measures, aiming to facilitate the political settlement of the conflict.

The Republic of Moldova authorities will continue their efforts towards securing the Transnistrian segment of the Moldovan - Ukrainian border, including through the cooperation with the European Union Border Assistance Mission (EUBAM).

With regard to the political-military aspects, the Republic of Moldova will continue to promote the objective of unconditional withdrawal of the Russian military forces and withdrawal or destruction of ammunition stockpiles from its territory as well as of the transformation of the existing peacekeeping operations into a multinational civilian mission under the international mandate.

OSCE continues to be a key actor in the framework of the 5+2 negotiation process. The Republic of Moldova strongly supports the OSCE mediation efforts which remain the main instrument for the Transnistrian conflict settlement. The Republic of Moldova' authorities will continue to work closely in different areas with the OSCE Mission to the Republic of Moldova in order to facilitate the conflict resolution process.

The Republic of Moldova promotes good neighbourly relations with Romania and Ukraine, developing its relations based on common European values. The country will continue bilateral dialogue with Russian Federation with the aim to address the bilateral agenda priorities.

Aiming at strengthening regional stability and security, the Republic of Moldova will also develop cooperation with other states in the framework of the Eastern Partnership, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC), Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), South East European Cooperation Process (SEECP), the Organization for Democracy and Economic Development (GUAM), Central European Initiative (CEI) as well as South-Eastern Europe Defence Ministerial (SEDM), in accordance with its observer status.

### **1.4. Security and defence sector reform**

The Republic of Moldova is committed to continue the process of reforms and modernization of the security and defence sector in order to enhance efficiency of national institutions in preventing risks and addressing threats to the national security. This effort aims to harmonize

and adjust the legal framework and policies regulating national security and defence system and to establish a unique planning mechanism of the national defence. To this end, the Republic of Moldova will further undertake necessary actions in order to implement the reforms objectives outlined in the national strategic documents as well as those to which the Republic of Moldova committed in the framework of cooperation programs, platforms, initiatives and projects. Special attention will be paid to the implementation of Wales and Warsaw Summits Decisions regarding the participation of the Republic of Moldova in the Defence and Security Related Capacity Building (DCB) Initiative and Interoperability Platform (IP).

The Republic of Moldova will undertake necessary steps for drafting and approving National Security Strategy and for finalizing and approving National Defence Strategy and Military Strategy, as well as of the subsequent National Action Plans for their implementation.

In order to achieve the above mentioned goals, as part of the current strategic defence reform process, the Republic of Moldova plans to gradually increase the defence budget.

### **1.5. Democratic control of armed forces**

The Republic of Moldova develops sustainable capabilities to guarantee the democratic development of the state and security of its citizens by strengthening capabilities of its Armed Forces. This commitment can be achieved through comprehensive democratic control of the Armed Forces. Subsequently, necessary steps will be taken in order to enhance the role of the Parliament, by involvement of its specialized commissions in overseeing activities related to security and defence sector, public order and fighting corruption.

At the same time, efforts will be undertaken in order to ensure the representation of the civilian personnel at all levels of the national security and defence system and the implementation of democratic standards in the reorganization of the Armed Forces as well as promotion of media and public access to defence and security matters. National authorities will further encourage the involvement of civil society in consultation processes related to the security and defence policy documents.

### **1.6. Combating terrorism and ensuring cyber defence**

In line with its international commitments, the Republic of Moldova will further implement the programs and strategies to combat terrorism, will enhance the coordination between its national institutions and will develop partnerships with NATO allies and partners in this regard.

The Republic of Moldova will consolidate its exports control of dual-use and strategic goods mechanisms and will take further measures against money laundering, terrorism, organized crime and trafficking of human beings.

Further efforts will be undertaken in order to enhance national institutional capabilities in cyber defence, as well as protection of critical communications and information systems

against cyber attacks. To this end, the Republic of Moldova is interested to further develop cooperation with NATO in cyber security and in addressing emerging security challenges.

### **1.7. Sustainable economic development and energy security**

In order to promote its sustainable development, the Republic of Moldova will continue the implementation of the provisions of the National Development Strategy "Moldova 2020", Government's Programme of Actions, Sustainable Development Goals, Innovation Strategy of the Republic of Moldova for the period of 2013-2020 ("Innovations for Competitiveness") as well as other national and institutional strategic planning documents. The authorities will undertake measures to improve its business environment and strengthen cooperation with international financial institutions. Further actions will be taken to enhance the Republic of Moldova's economic development and energy security, including through the expansion and strengthening of energy transportation and distribution networks, modernization of generating capacity, promotion of energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources.

## **CHAPTER II. Defence and Military related subjects**

### **2.1. Defence sector reform. Improvement of institutional and legal framework**

The Republic of Moldova promotes the reform policy of the national security and defence structures in order to develop capabilities to ensure state's security and contribute to regional and international security and stability. In this regard an assessment of the national defence system forces role, responsibility and structure, as well as interaction mechanisms is required. The consolidation and development of military capabilities will focus, primarily, on the National Army, as the core of the Armed Forces.

### **2.2 Development of the Armed Forces capabilities**

The Republic of Moldova will develop the combat and logistic capabilities, ensuring a high degree of responsiveness and mobility of the National Army Forces. At the same time, necessary steps will be taken for the development of command, control and decision making system, planning and conducting of military actions as well as development of strategic communication capabilities. Special attention will be paid to improvement and development of the personnel management and educational system in military and military sciences information exchange and communication between security and defence institutions and international partners. Additional efforts will be oriented to increase Armed Forces cyber defence and information security capabilities as well as interoperability with NATO allies and partners. Also, measures related to the implementation of security and safety requirements in small arms and light weapons (SALW), conventional ammunition, will be undertaken according to the physical security and stockpile management (PSSM) standards.

Particular attention will be paid to the improvement and development of the education and training system at all levels in military and military science with the aim of development of an efficient defence system.

The authorities of the Republic of Moldova will focus further on strengthening integrity within the defence and security sector (Building Integrity Programme), implementing the partnership goals outlined in the Planning and Review Partnership Process (PARP) and UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security, and working on defence education through the Defence Education Enhancement Programme (DEEP) The Republic of Moldova is interested to continue the activities within the projects, initiatives and trust funds that will contribute to the development of Armed Forces capabilities.

### **2.3. Increasing the level of Republic of Moldova's participation in international missions and operations**

The development of capacities to contribute to the regional and international security continues to stand as an important objective for the Republic of Moldova. To this end, the Republic of Moldova will increase the dialogue with international structures and institutions and will consolidate the cooperation with its partners.

The Republic of Moldova aims to increase its participation in international missions and operations under UN, EU and OSCE mandates, with experts (civilian and military) and military contingents up to the battalion level. Training capabilities for personnel assigned to be deployed in international missions and operations will be developed at the national level in accordance with interoperability standards of similar forces from Euro-Atlantic area.

The deployment of its national contingents to international operations will be conducted according to the provisions of the Law on the participation of the Republic of Moldova in the international missions and operations and will be realized with the support of the international development partners.

The Republic of Moldova will participate further in the NATO-led operation in Kosovo KFOR with the aim to strengthen the interoperability of National Armed Forces and bring its contribution to the promotion of security and stability in Europe.

### **2.4. Reform of the Carabineer Troops**

The Republic of Moldova views the reform of its Carabineer Troops as an important part of a comprehensive security and defence sector reform. In this regard, the Republic of Moldova will undertake further steps to improve the operational capabilities of its Carabineer Troops for peacetime and crisis missions, including peacekeeping operations.

### **2.5. Strengthening capacities of the Border Police**

As a part of a comprehensive reform process, this objective seeks to adjust national legal framework of the Integrated Border Police Management, strengthening institutional capacities including for the response to the risks and threats to the border security, staff training, modernisation of equipment, promoting further the cooperation and exchange of information with other states.

## **CHAPTER III. Informing the public, cooperation in the science area, emergency planning, strengthening the national capacities through training**

### **3.1. Public diplomacy on security and defence related matters**

The authorities of the Republic of Moldova will undertake necessary measures in order to inform its citizens broadly and in accurate manner on security and defence related matters as well as the Republic of Moldova - NATO cooperation. Providing information about the security and defence policies promoted by the neutral and non-aligned countries from Western Europe and their cooperation with NATO will also continue.

Developing strategic communication capacity of national institutions constitutes a priority area of the Republic of Moldova. For this purpose, the authorities of the Republic of Moldova will seek to develop further the cooperation with the NATO Strategic Communication Centre of Excellence (STRATCOM) from Latvia.

Furthermore, national authorities will cooperate with NATO Liaison Office in the Republic of Moldova and the Information and Documentation Centre on NATO in Chisinau in order to disseminate relevant information and, along with NATO Public Diplomacy Division, will organize common activities in this regard. National authorities will also engage with the NATO Contact Point Embassy in Chisinau in these efforts.

Aimed at presenting in an objective manner the practical results, advantages and benefits of the Republic of Moldova – NATO cooperation, the authorities of the Republic of Moldova will pay more attention to reflecting the bilateral projects implemented within the Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme and NATO/PfP Trust Fund Policy.

### **3.2. Cooperation in the scientific area, including in the framework of Science for Peace and Security Programme**

The Republic of Moldova seeks sustainable development of its scientific and technical capacities with the aim to ensure preparedness of the state to face the emerging security threats and challenges.

Special attention will be paid to enhancing cooperation within Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme on matters of common interest both for the Republic of Moldova and NATO, including via new projects. Priority areas for scientific cooperation are: cyber defence, environmental security, counter-terrorism, energy security, conducting regional studies also related to cross-border activities with the aim of enhancing border security.

The Republic of Moldova will continue to implement ongoing SPS flagship activities, including the project to develop a National Action Plan for the Implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women in Peace and Security, the project on “Moldovan Armed Forces Cyber Incident Response Capability (MAFCIRC),” and a project in the area of CBRN defence to mitigate the risk of biological agents.

The Republic of Moldova will work closely with NATO Support and Procurement Agency in order to finalize the implementation of phase III of the NATO/PfP Trust Fund Project on the destruction of pesticides and dangerous chemicals.

### **3.3. Enhancing crisis management and emergency planning capabilities and preparedness**

The Republic of Moldova will enhance its Civil Preparedness system, as well as its crisis management capabilities. To this end, cross governmental efforts will be undertaken in cooperation with NATO for the successful implementation of the best practices related to civil emergency planning and response.

## **CHAPTER IV. Administrative aspects, protection of information and resources**

### **4.1. Administrative aspects**

The IPAP implementation process will continue to be monitored by the National Commission for IPAP, which will annually inform the Government and the President of the Republic of Moldova on its implementation.

The Republic of Moldova will ensure the implementation of the Agreement on establishment of a NATO Liaison Office in the Republic of Moldova and will cooperate with the Office in the process of IPAP's implementation.

### **4.2. Protection of Classified Information**

The Republic of Moldova will ensure full implementation of the Security Agreement signed between the Government of Moldova and NATO and will continue to enhance the national system for the protection of classified information. The details on the procedures and minimum requirements for the protection of Classified Information will be specified in the Administrative Arrangements to be agreed between the Republic of Moldova and NATO.

## PART II. REFORM AREAS FOR CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION WITH NATO

Objectives Actions	Specific objectives National measures	Timelines	Responsible authorities
<b>CHAPTER I. Political and security related subjects</b>			
<b>1.1 Cooperation with European and Euro - Atlantic structures and institutions</b>			
<b>1.1.1</b>	<b>Promotion of political dialogue with Euro-Atlantic structures and institutions</b>		
Action 1	Promotion of political dialogue and practical cooperation with NATO Allies and partners in particular with the purpose of full implementation of IPAP's objectives	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 2	Informing the Allies about the measures undertaken by the Republic of Moldova for the promotion of security and stability in the region, including in the process of Transnistrian conflict settlement, both within multilateral consultations in 28+Moldova format and bilateral dialogue	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 3	Developing further the parliamentary dimension of the political dialogue with the Allies, including in the framework of NATO Parliamentary Assembly	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Parliament
Action 4	Coordination of activities and ensuring a complementary approach in implementing the European integration agenda and IPAP	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
<b>1.1.2</b>	<b>Enhance practical cooperation for promoting security and stability in Europe</b>		
Action 1	Ensuring further the contribution to the peacekeeping operation KFOR	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
<b>1.1.3</b>	<b>Cooperation with the European Union (EU) in the framework of Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), including within Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)</b>		
Action 1	Implementation of the Republic of Moldova and European Union Framework Agreement related to participation of the Republic of Moldova in the EU crisis management missions, ensuring the contribution to these missions	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Defence,

			Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Justice, General Prosecutor Office, Security and Intelligence Service
Action 2	Participation in the RM-EU consultations in the CSDP area	Annually	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Defence
Action 3	Implementation of the RM-EU Agreement on security procedures for the exchange of classified information, including electronic documents	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Security and Intelligence Service
<b>1.2 Democratic reforms, human rights, rule of law, fight against corruption, migration,</b>			
<b>1.2.1</b>	<b>Implementation of democratic reforms by cooperation with the Council of Europe, OSCE and European Union</b>		
Action 1	Full implementation of the recommendations of the Parliamentary Assembly and the decisions of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, according to the Republic of Moldova - Council of Europe, as well as of the Council of Europe Action Plans for the Republic of Moldova 2017-2020	Ongoing	Parliament, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Central public authorities
Action 2	Implementation of relevant provisions of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement as well as of the Association Agenda	2017-2019	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Central public authorities
Action 3	Implementation of the Roadmap related to local and regional democracy in the Republic of Moldova, monitored by the Council of Europe Congress of Local and Regional Authorities	2017-2019	State Chancellery, Central public authorities
Action 4	Implementation of the National Action Plan for the realization of the National Decentralization Strategy for 2016-2018	2017-2019	State Chancellery, Central public authorities
Action 5	Implementation of the National Action Plan for 2016-2018 of the Strategy on	2017-2019	State Chancellery,

	public administration reform		Central public authorities
<b>1.2.2</b>	<b>Ensuring the conformity of national legislation with international human rights standards and practices of the Council of Europe, OSCE, EU and other international organizations</b>		
Action 1	Development, , approval and implementation of the National Action Plan on Human Rights (PNADO) for 2017-2021	Ongoing	Ministry of Justice, Central public authorities, Parliament
Action 2	Ensuring the implementation of the provisions of international treaties, commitments and recommendations of UN, EU and Council of Europe concerning the rights of national minorities	Ongoing	Bureau for Interethnic Relations, central and local public administration authorities
Action 3	Adjusting national legislation whenever the case in line with the standards set up by the European Convention on Human Rights and the European Court of Human Rights case law	Ongoing	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Internal Affairs
Action 4	Monitoring the impact of the current regulations in the area of execution of court decisions, including the decisions of the ECHR	Ongoing	Ministry of Justice The Parliament
<b>1.2.3</b>	<b>Strengthening the justice sector</b>		
Action 1	Reforming the judicial system in order to increase transparency in the legal process	Ongoing	Ministry of Justice
Action 2	Evaluation of the implementation of the Justice Sector Reform Strategy for 2011-2016	Semester II 2017	Ministry of Justice
Action 3	Development of new policy document for ensuring the continuity of the justice sector reforms	IV Quarter 2017	Ministry of Justice
Action 4	Capacity building of the judicial system	Ongoing	Ministry of Justice
Action 5	Develop international cooperation with the objective to build joint investigation teams of different types of international crimes	Ongoing	General Prosecutor Office Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Police Inspectorate, General Inspectorate of the Border Police
<b>1.2.4</b>	<b>Ensuring the national security in the context of increasing migrants flow</b>		

Action 1	Development of a national mechanism of unitary and coherent management in case of increased flow of migrants		Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the Border Police, Bureau for Migration and Asylum, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Local public authorities
Action 2	Enhancing national capabilities and carrying out the measures for ensuring public order and national security in situations of risks related to the increasing flow of migrants		Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the Border Police, Bureau for Migration and Asylum, Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Health Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Local public authorities, Civil society
Action 3	Promoting and implementation of institutional policies under the DCAF Border Security Programme	Ongoing	General Inspectorate of the Border Police /Ministry of Internal Affairs
<b>1.2.5</b>	<b>Strengthening the measures for prevention and fight against corruption and money laundering</b>		
Action 1	Undertake measures for consolidation of national integrity system and fight against corruption	Ongoing	National Anticorruption Centre
Action 2	Ensure the implementation of international treaties and commitments related to the prevention and combating corruption, money laundering (UN Convention against corruption, the Council of Europe Group of States against corruption –	2017-2019	National Anticorruption Centre, General Prosecutor Office

	GRECO, MONEYVAL,etc.)		
Action 3	Implement an efficient mechanism aimed at recovery and management of assets resulted from corruption and related cases	2017-2019	National Anticorruption Centre, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 4	Prevention and identification of cases related to fraudulent attainment, misuse, embezzlement of resources from external funds, committing of corruption acts as well as other breaches related to the resources from external funds	2017-2019	National Anticorruption Centre, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, State Chancellery
Action 5	Creation and develop the institutional integrity climate by promoting zero tolerance to corruption in the political environment and that of public authorities	2017-2019	National Anticorruption Centre
<b>1.3 Territorial integrity and relations with neighbours</b>			
<b>1.3.1</b>	<b>Peaceful settlement of the Transnistrian conflict</b>		
Action 1	Promotion of the settlement process of the Transnistrian conflict in the framework of the existing negotiation mechanisms (“5+2”, “1+1”, working groups for confidence building) for the identification of a comprehensive and long-lasting solution for transnistrian issue with respect of sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova and the adoption of a special status of the Transnistrian region	Ongoing	State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 2	Continue the efforts on ensuring the respect for human rights in the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova and free movement of people between both banks of the river Nistru	Ongoing	State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Education, Culture and Research Ministry of Justice
Action 3	Promote the confidence building measures and strengthen security through the intensification of activity of joint working groups with the purpose of facilitation	Ongoing	State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration,

	the conflict settlement process		Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 4	Promote the unconditional withdrawal of the foreign military forces from the territory of the Republic of Moldova and the transformation of peacekeeping operation into a multinational civilian mission under the international mandate	Ongoing	State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 5	Promote a pertinent dialogue with the actors involved in the 5+2 format (OSCE, Ukraine, Russian Federation, USA and UE) for the support of the settlement process of the Transnistrian conflict and for consolidation of regional stability and security	Ongoing	State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
<b>1.3.2</b>	<b>Securing the Moldovan-Ukrainian state border, in particular, the central sector</b>		
Action 1	Accomplish integral management of the Moldovan-Ukrainian state border, finalize the demarcation actions and ensuring the security of the border through the recovery of border's integrity, including building the necessary border infrastructure and institutional capacities	Ongoing	Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the Border Police t, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Customs Service / Ministry of Finance
Action 2	Cooperation with the EU and Ukraine in the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding on the EU Border Assistance Mission as well as within bilateral agreements with the purpose of ensuring the efficient border and customs control on the Moldovan-Ukrainian state border	Ongoing	Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the Border Police, Customs Service/ Ministry of Finance Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, State Chancellery/Bureau of Reintegration
<b>1.4. Security and defence sector reform</b>			
<b>1.4.1</b>	<b>The development of policy and planning documents in the process of national security and defence sector reform, implementation of Phase I of</b>		

	<b>the DCB assistance package with the support of NATO</b>		
Action 1	Development and approval of the National Security Strategy (NSS) and its implementation plan	2017-2018	Parliament, Supreme Security Council Service, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 2	Development and approval of the National Defence Strategy and its implementation plan	2017	Parliament, Government, Ministry of Defence, other public authorities according to their competences
Action 3	Development and approval of Military Strategy and its implementation plan	2018	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 4	Institutionalisation of the defence planning process (PPBES)	2019	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
<b>1.4.1</b>	<b>Security and Intelligence Service Reform</b>		
Action 1	Implementation of National Action Plan on the implementation of the Strategy on the Reform of Security and Intelligence Service for the period of 2014-2018	2017-2018	Security and Intelligence Service
Action 2	Modernization of communication and technological information infrastructure, including the application of new technologies	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service with the support of the development partners
<b>1.5 Democratic control of Armed Forces</b>			
Action 1	Optimization of the Parliament's role in supervising the activities related to security, defence, public order, prevention and fight against corruption through the enhancement of the parliamentary commissions involvement	Ongoing	Parliament, Other public authorities according to their competences

Action 2	Ensuring the representation of civilian personnel at all levels of the security and defence structures	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 3	Cooperation with mass-media and civil society, including in drafting policy documents, facilitating the civil society's access to information in the security and defence areas in line with national legislation	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
<b>1.6 Combating terrorism and ensuring cyber defence</b>			
<b>1.6.1</b>	<b>Fight against terrorism</b>		
Action 1	Review of national legislation in order to improve the institutional capacities of investigation of crimes related to terrorism and other connected actions	2017-2018	Security and Intelligence Service
Action 2	Identification of practical solutions for strengthening the efficiency of cooperation and exchange of information between the authorities with competence in preventing and combating terrorism	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service
Action 3	Cooperation with mass-media and civil society with the purpose to promote the security culture and to raise awareness of the society about the risks and threats related to terrorism	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service
Action 4	Development of cooperation with regional and international organizations in the area of prevention and fight against terrorism: UN, OSCE, NATO, GUAM, Council of Europe. Adopting the best practices related to anti-terror protection of strategically important infrastructure sites, including those presenting technological and environmental risks	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service
<b>1.6.2</b>	<b>Ensuring the cyber defence capabilities</b>		
Action 1	Establish a group of national key experts from public and private sector aimed at development of National Strategy on informational security in the context of ensuring cyber defence	2017-2018	Centre for Special Telecommunications, Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of

			Economy and Infrastructure
Action 2	Development of National Strategy on informational security	2018-2019	Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure , Ministry of Defence, Authorities of central public administration
Action 3	Cyber defence capacity building through the evaluation of current situation at national and institutional level, defining of the competences, realization of inter-institutional cooperation with the same profile	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs
Action 4	Bring into force the relevant legal instruments for the Centre for Cyber Security (CERT) in terms of ensuring cyber security	2017-2019	Centre for Special Telecommunications
Action 5	Development of partnerships (projects) for the improvement of cyber security through cooperation at national, regional and international levels	2017-2019	Centre for Special Telecommunications, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Security and Information Service, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 6	Development and maintenance of reporting platform to CERT in the context cyber defence	2017-2018	Centre for Special Telecommunications
Action 7	Strengthening the protection of state informational systems through the improvement of the storage cycle of critical and personal data in conformity with the National Programme of cyber security of the Republic of Moldova for 2016-2010	2017-2018	Security and Information Service entre for Special Telecommunications,  Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 8	Organization of national conferences and awareness campaigns on cyber security risks with participation of public and private sectors in order to assess the current cyber security capabilities and with the purpose of establishing	2017-2019	Centre for Special Telecommunications, Ministry of Internal Affairs,

	public and private development partnerships. Organization of national, regional and international exercises on operational response to cyber attacks		Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
<b>1.6.3</b>	<b>Capacity building for the protection of critical informational and communication systems against cyber attacks, including through the promotion of international cooperation</b>		
Action 1	Harmonising national legislation in accordance with international standards and best practices in the cyber security area	2017-2019	Centre for Special Telecommunications, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure , Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Security and Intelligence Service
Action 2	Implementation, development and maintenance of technical and informational platform for governmental CERT (databases, incident reporting systems)	2017-2019	Centre for Special Telecommunications, Security and Intelligence Service
Action 3	Improvement of educational cyber security programs through the cooperation between the public and private sector with academia	2017-2019	Ministry of Education Culture and Research, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure , Ministry of Defence, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Centre for Special Telecommunications, Security and Intelligence Service
Action 4	Professionalization and development of specialized skills of the officers of information and security institution on subjects of strategic interests and national importance	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service

<b>1.7 Sustainable economic development and energy security</b>			
<b>1.7.1</b>	<b>Promotion of a stable and sustainable economic development</b>		
Action 1	Ensure the adaptation of Sustainable Development Goals at national level and promotion of the national priorities in accordance with the UN-2030 Development Agenda	2017-2019	State Chancellery, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Public administration authorities
Action 2	Implementation of economic reforms in terms of deepening the relationship of the Republic of Moldova with EU	Ongoing	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 3	Provide the statistical data on main macroeconomic indicators within IPAP reporting process (GDP, inflation, unemployment, trade, FDI)	Annually	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 4	Enhance the competitiveness of national products and services through the implementation of measures provided by the Innovation Strategy of the Republic of Moldova for the period of 2013-2020 (“Innovations for Competitiveness”)	2017-2019	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 5	Promote the cluster development of national industry according to the Concept of cluster development of industrial sector	2017-2019	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 6	Participate in NATO’s initiatives, such as the meetings of the Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council (EAPC) in the area of energy security, of Industrial Planning Committee, etc.	Ongoing	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
<b>1.7.2</b>	<b>Promotion of energy security</b>		
Action 1	Fulfil the commitments stemming from the participation in the EU Energy Community Treaty	Ongoing	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 2	Prepare the accession to the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity	Ongoing	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure
Action 3	Diversification of the primary energy sources through the development of	Ongoing	Ministry of Economy and

	alternative interconnections with neighbouring countries, attracting the investments in producing the electricity, promoting the energetic efficiency and the usage of renewable sources of energy		Infrastructure Other public authorities with necessary competences
<b>1.7.3</b>	<b>Modernization of the National system of control on strategic goods' circulation</b>		
Action 1	Introducing the electronic informational system for the release of authorisations for export, re-export, import and transit of strategic goods	III Quarter 2018	Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure, Interdepartmental Commission on the Control of Export, Re-export, Import and Transit of Strategic goods
<b>CHAPTER II. Defence and Military related subjects</b>			
<b>2.1. Defence sector reform. Improvement of institutional and legal framework</b>			
Action 1	Development and approval of the National Defence Strategy and its implementation plan	2017	Parliament, Government, Ministry of Defence, other public authorities according to their competences
Action 2	Development and approval of Military Strategy and its implementation plan	2018	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 3	Development and approval of the Directive on defence planning	Within 6 months after the approval of Military Strategy	Ministry of Defence, Other public authorities according to their competences

Action 4	Institutionalisation of the planning, programming, budgeting system of the defence (PPBES)	2019	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Other public authorities according to their competences
<b>2.2 The development of the Armed Forces' capabilities - implementation of Phase II of the DCB Assistance package with the support of NATO</b>			
Action 1	Development of land forces' capabilities	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 2	Development of air forces' capabilities	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 3	Development of Command, Control and Decision Making systems	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 4	Development of National Army' logistics capabilities	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 5	Development of training system (doctrine, education, infrastructure)	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 6	Improvement/development of the human resources management and educational system in military and military sciences area, including through the Defence Education Enhancement Programme (DEEP).	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 7	Ensuring the information and communications exchange	2017-2019	Ministry of Defence
Action 8	Enhancing the cyber defence capacities of the Armed Forces	2017-2019	Ministry of Defence
Action 9	Enhancing good governance and integrity in the defence sector through cooperation with NATO within Building Integrity Programme, implementation of the MoD Action Plan on reducing the risk of corruption for the years 2016 – 2017, as well as of the recommendations of the Building Integrity Self Assessment peer review report	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 10	Development and approval of the National Action Plan for the implementation of the Resolution 1325 of the UN Security Council on Women, Peace and Security. Monitoring its implementation	2017-2019	Ministry of Defence, Bureau for Reintegration policies Bureau for Reintegration policies Ministry of Health, Labor, and Social Protection Ministry of Internal Affairs,

			Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Information and documentation Centre on NATO
Action 11	Securing the management of the Small Arms and Light Weapons' (SALW) stockpiles and conventional ammunition according to PSSM standards	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 12	Development of strategic communication capabilities of Ministry of Defence	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 13	Enhancing the interoperability level with NATO allies and partners	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 14	Implementation of the objectives established within Planning and Review Process (PARP)	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Other public authorities according to their competences
Action 15	Implementation of the initiatives/projects supported by NATO trust funds aimed at capacity building of Armed Forces	2017-2019	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Other public authorities according to their competences
<b>2.3 Increasing the level of Republic of Moldova's participation in international missions and operations</b>			
Action 1	Promote the participation of the Republic of Moldova in international missions and operations in accordance with the national legislation	2017-2019	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 2	Increase the participation in international operations under UN mandate with experts and a contingent up to a battalion level	2018-2019	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal

			Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 2	Building national capabilities for the enhancement of participation in international operations in line with the country' commitments and with assistance of international development partners	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs,
Action 3	Building the national training capabilities for the personnel designated to be deployed in international missions and operations	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
<b>2.4 Reform of the Carabineer Troops</b>			
Action 1	Implementing the Strategy on Carabineer Troops Reform	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
Action 2	Progressive replacement of conscripts with the professionals	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
<b>2.4.1 Professionalization and development of NCOs corps</b>			
Action 1	Development and implementation, in accordance with the Strategy of reforming the Carabineer Troops for 2017-2020 and its Action Plan, of the national training programme for the Carabineer Troops NCOs, including the review of education programme, the implementation of training standards for professionals with the purpose of achieving interoperability with similar structures from Euro-Atlantic states	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
Action 2	Strengthening the institutional capabilities in logistics area	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
<b>2.5. Strategic development of the Border Police</b>			
Action 1	Elaboration, approval and implementation of the National Strategy on Integrated State Border Management and the subsequent Action Plan. Improving national	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the

	IBM coordination mechanism.		Border Police
Action 2	Increasing technical and infrastructure potential of the General Inspectorate of the Border Police at regional and local level.	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/ General Inspectorate of the Border Police
<b>CHAPTER III. Informing the public, cooperation in the science area, emergency planning, strengthening the national capacities through training</b>			
<b>3.1 Public diplomacy on security and defence related matters</b>			
<b>3.1.1 Enhancing activities for informing the public on security and defence related subjects</b>			
Action 1	Conducting public diplomacy activities, including with the support of NATO Liaison Office in the Republic of Moldova, NATO Public Diplomacy Division, the Information and Documentation Centre on NATO	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Information and Documentation Centre on NATO, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Supreme Security Council
Action 2	Spreading through the mass-media and social networks (broadcast, TV, interviews in printed press) of objective information about the Republic of Moldova and NATO cooperation	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Education Culture and Research
Action 3	Ensuring the contribution to the NATO's information points in the Republic of Moldova on the current security and defence subjects , including those related to the Republic of Moldova and NATO cooperation	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Education Culture and Research Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Information and Documentation Centre on

			NATO
Action 4	Reflecting the practical results and effects of the bilateral projects implemented within the Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme and NATO/PfP Trust Fund Policy	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Ministry of Defence, Other public authorities according to their competences, Information and Documentation Centre on NATO,
Action 5	Developing the institutional capacities across the government on strategic communication, including through the adoption of best practices, conducting training activities, exchange of information and views with experts from NATO and other international organizations.	Ongoing	Public administration authorities
<b>3.2 Cooperation in the scientific area, including in the framework of Science for Peace and Security Programme</b>			
<b>3.2.1</b>	<b>Promoting the activities within NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme</b>		
Action 1	Development of informational systems in the research-development-innovation area in connection with informational security and data protection	2017-2019	Academy of Sciences of Moldova
Action 2	Promoting the participation in projects on national information systems' development with the aim of consolidating the research and educational environment for enhancing the internet/intranet services; launching the new forms of cooperation at national, regional and international level in the IT sector, accomplishing the connection to high capacity fiber optics networks, ensuring the external connection and secure interaction with research and education community	2017-2019	Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure, Ministry of Education Culture and Research, State Chancellery/ Centre for Special Telecommunications
Action 3	Cooperation in the area of reducing CBRN risks and threats	2017-2019	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Security and Intelligence Service,

			General Prosecutor Office, Ministry of Finance/ Customs Service, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure/Agency for Regulation of Nuclear and Radiological Activities, Ministry of Internal Affairs,  Ministry of Defence Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection
Action 4	Cooperation on the implementation of UNSCR1325 on Women in Peace and Security, including through a SPS project to support the development of a National Action Plan for the Republic of Moldova.	Ongoing	Information and Documentation Centre on NATO, Ministry of Defence Bureau for Reintegration policies , Ministry of Health, Labour, and Social Protection, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Security and Intelligence Service
Action 4	Informing about cooperation opportunities within NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme, including with the aim of stimulating the participation of science community of the Republic of Moldova	2017-2019	Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Information and Documentation Centre on NATO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Action 5	Implementation of assistance projects with the support of NATO, promoting new programs	Ongoing	Competent public authorities
Action 6	Implementation of phase III of the NATO/PfP Trust Fund Project on the destruction of pesticides and dangerous chemicals - removal of 313 tonnes of pesticides	2017 - 2018	Ministry of Defense Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and

			Environment
Action 7	Implementation of the project on Moldovan Armed Forces Cyber Incident Response Capability (MAFCIRC)	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence
Action 8	Implementation of the project in the area of CBRN defence to mitigate the risk of biological agents.	Ongoing	Ministry of Defence Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment Ministry of Internal Affairs National Agency for Food Safety
Action 9	Implementation of the project related to the establishment of the cyber security training laboratory within the Technical University of Moldova	Ongoing	Ministry of Education Culture and Research Centre for Special Telecommunications
<b>3.3 Enhancing crisis management and civil preparedness</b>			
<b>3.3.1</b>	<b>Improve the response capacities of the Republic of Moldova in crisis situations, inter-institutional coordination and communication in crisis situations</b>		
Action 1	The participation of central public authorities' representatives in the working meetings of the subcommittees of NATO Civil Emergency Planning Committee (CEPC)	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations
Action 2	Participation in the exercises organized by EADRCC/NATO	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs
Action 3	Strengthening the institutional capacities for the implementation of Helsinki Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents through the introduction into national legislation of the provisions of the Directive 2012/18/EU of 4 July 2012 of European Parliament and the Council on the control of major-accidents hazards involving the dangerous substances	IV Quarter	Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment Ministry of Internal Affairs

<b>3.3.2</b>	<b>The accomplishment of the educational process of national experts in specialized centres accredited by the Alliance and via established bilateral programs</b>		
Action 1	Training of the SIS officers on countering money laundering, financing of terrorism, organized crime, corruption	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service
Action 2	Enhancing the participation of general staff officers in national and international trainings, including the multinational exercises	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
Action 3	Linguistic training of the personnel of Carabineer Troops in the context of potential participation in peacekeeping operations	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/Carabineer Troops Department
Action 4	Training of the MPs and the Parliament's secretariat civil servants in the area of parliamentary control of security and defence sector	Ongoing	Parliament
Action 5	Training of prosecutors in the area of investigation and countering organized and cross-border crimes	Ongoing	National Institute of Justice General Prosecutor Office
Action 6	Ensure development of linguistic capacities of the General Inspectorate of the Border Police employees	2017-2019	Ministry of Internal Affairs/General Inspectorate of the Border Police
<b>CHAPTER IV. Administrative aspects, protection of information and resources</b>			
<b>4.1 Administrative aspects</b>			
<b>4.1.1</b>	<b>Ensuring the efficient implementation of IPAP through cooperation, connection and coherent management of the support programs</b>		
Action 1	Ensuring the activity of National Commission for IPAP implementation	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, National Commission on IPAP Implementation
Action 2	The implementation of the provisions of Agreement on NATO Liaison Office in the Republic of Moldova	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration

Action 3	Cooperation with the NATO Liaison Office in the Republic of Moldova and NATO Contact Point Embassy (CPE), organization of joint activities	Ongoing	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Other competent authorities
<b>4.2 Protection of classified information</b>			
Action 1	Adjusting national legal framework in the area of protection of classified information	2017-2019	Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Internal Affairs Ministry of Defence
Action 2	Ensuring the implementation of the Security Agreement between the Republic of Moldova and NATO as well as developing of Administrative Arrangements between the Republic of Moldova and NATO	Ongoing	Security and Intelligence Service, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Internal Affairs Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration