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**List of abbreviations:**

<b>ICSB</b>	Illegal crossing of the state border (at the entry in RM)
<b>AICSB</b>	Attempted illegal crossing of the state border (at the exit from RM)
<b>BB</b>	Breach of the border
<b>VSB</b>	Violation of state border
<b>VRCCB</b>	Violation regime checkpoint and crossing border
<b>UICSB</b>	Uncontrolled illegal crossing of the state border (penetration)
<b>JR</b>	Joint restraint
<b>DTICSB</b>	Detected traces of illegal crossing of the state border
<b>VRM</b>	Violations of residence in RM
<b>IPIM</b>	Identified as potential illegal migrants
<b>OC</b>	Other contraventions
<b>GB</b>	Green border
<b>BCP</b>	Border crossing point
<b>BPD</b>	Border Police Department
<b>REM</b>	Refusal at the entry in RM
<b>IEM</b>	Interdiction at the exit from RM
<b>MDA-UKR</b>	Moldovan Ukrainian border
<b>MDA-ROU</b>	Moldovan Romanian border
<b>AB</b>	Airline border
<b>S/B</b>	Sign border
<b>RM</b>	Republic of Moldova
<b>THB</b>	Trafficking in human beings
<b>SEM</b>	Semester
<b>SBP</b>	Sector of Border Police
<b>RD</b>	Regional direction
<b>BP</b>	Border Police
<b>CCTP</b>	Center for Combating Trafficking of Persons
<b>BMA</b>	Bureau for Migration and Asylum
<b>MTIC</b>	Ministry of Information and Communication Technologies
<b>RMT</b>	Retentions mobile teams

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The report includes data and information of operational activities of the Border Police for January-September 2014. At the same time, it reflects particularly the activity of the several subdivisions of the border authority. Due to the checks and surveillance of the state border for the reference period, the document itself contains indicators, operational and statistics data observed and documented, comparable to the same period of the 2013. Based on the analysis of specific indicators, the report reflects an overview of the current situation and the security state border segments of land, water and air of the Republic of Moldova. Analyzed indicators describe the operational situation, in border crossing points, as well as on the „green” sector of it.

The document is structured in two parts. **The first part** contains an analysis of its operational key indicators per system, as *the flow of persons and transport means, unauthorized border crossings, counteracting cases of the border law violations, checking documents, including forged and false* etc.

**The second part** of it contains a synthesis and an analysis of the main risks at the border, exercise based on data and indicators. In particular, it is analyzed *the illegal migration, smuggling cigarettes and alcohol phenomena*, as well offenses with *transport means*. Moreover, for each risk aforementioned is performed an analysis of identified threats. Also, is highlighted some tendencies and developments, with specific recommendations, or most subdivisions of Border Police.

Broadly speaking, for Q21-Q3'2014 ***the persons flow recorded a decrease by 8%*** in comparison to the same period of 2013. The decrease was influenced, in generally, by social-political tension from Ukraine (including armed conflict in Eastern Ukraine), as well as the restrictions of migration policy of the Russian Federation imposed to CSI nationals. The most pronounced decrease was recorded on the BCP's at the MDA-UKR border segment – about 24%. Therewith, was found ***an increase of 13%, over the same period of 2013, of the persons flow at the MDA-ROU border segment and of 33% at the airline border.***

***Also, the flow of vehicles during the first nine months of 2014 – decreased by 4,5%.*** Due to the fact that the share of transport units at the MDA-UKR border segment was 43%, a noticeable decrease of about 21% of the transport flow at this border segment has influenced the values on the whole. At the same time, the statistical data shows that the flow of vehicles with foreign registration has been increasing by 3% compared to Q1-Q3'2013, especially at the entry in RM.

***The Border Police refused crossing border to about 3070 persons*** in the ***Q1-Q3, 2014*** or more than 40% lesser than the first nine months of the previous year. Therewith, at the airline border it is observed an increase number to refusals of crossing border – by 7%. The most refusals crossing at this border segment were granted to the Moldovan nationals (58%) and to the Turks (12%). Among the main reasons of the refusals for crossing border state: *control task, failure to confirm the purpose of journey, unaccompanied minor, minor without valid documents, lack of visa, invalid and internal document.*

During the analyzed period, ***the Border Police recorded about 2550 cases of breach border in which were involved about 3100 persons.*** Compared to the similar of the previous year we have a stable number of recorded cases and an insignificant decrease of detainees – by 3%. Analyzing the situation at the border segments it is ascertained a visible increase in number of detainees for border law infringement on BCP at the MDA-ROU border.

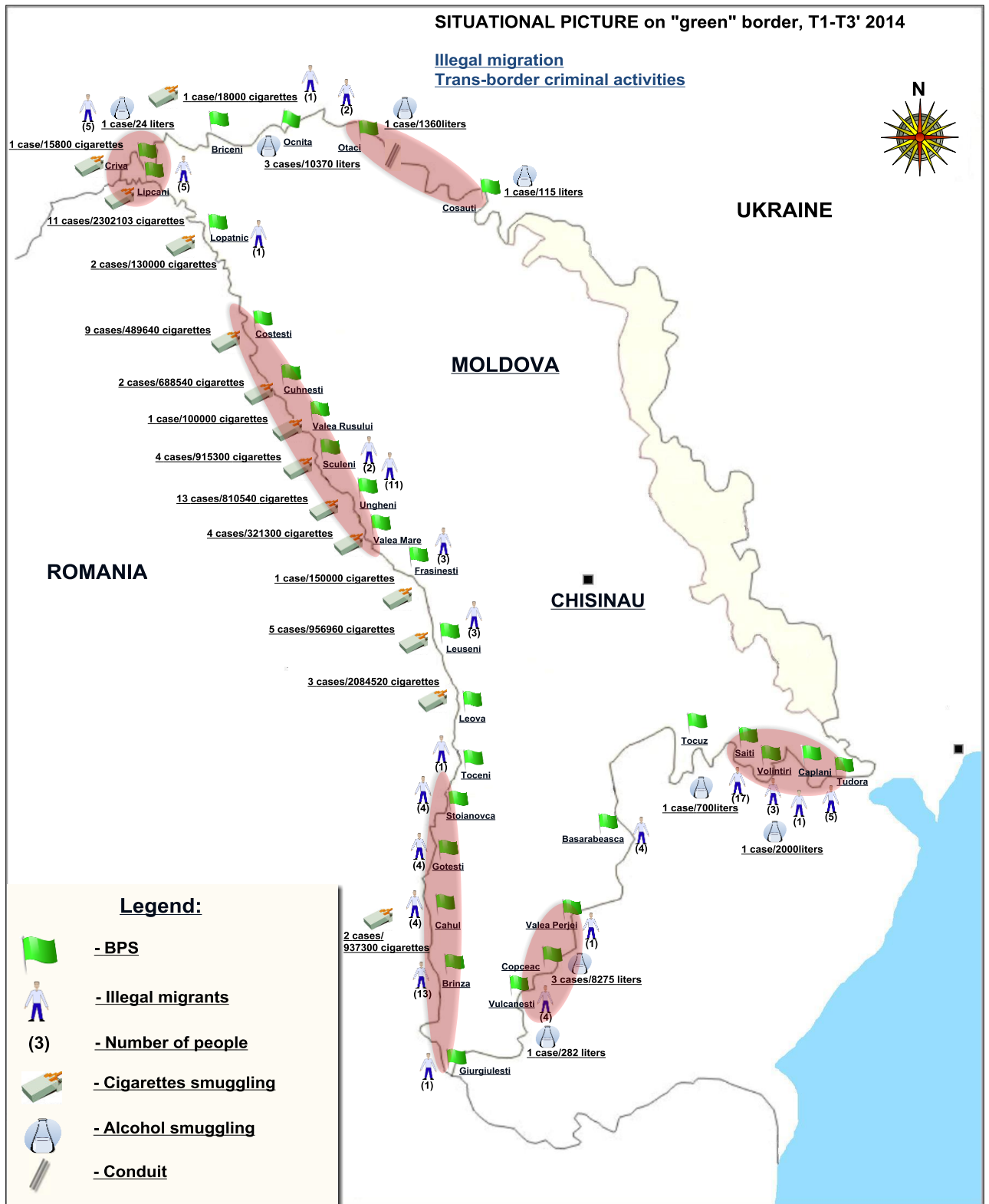
**Number of forgery and counterfeit documents decreased by 27%** compared with January-September 2013. At the border sectors, the most forgery of documents were found in BCP's at the MDA-ROU border, with a share of 43% of total. Actually, almost half of forged documents, foreign and counterfeit were detected on this particular segment of the border.

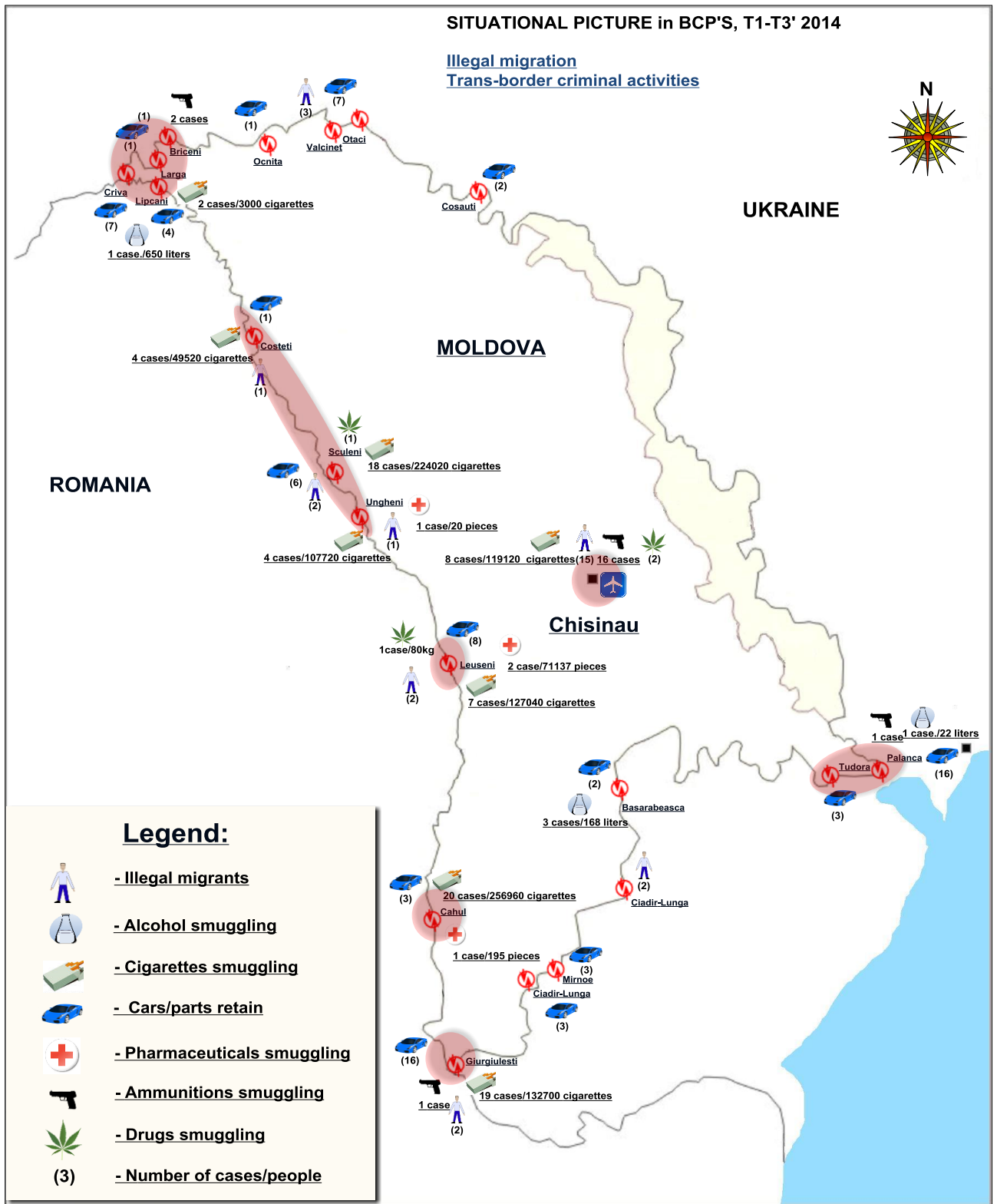
**The operational statistic indicates a decrease of illegal migration phenomenon, respectively shows a 35% decrease in number of illegal migrants detained** in comparison with the same period of the last year. At the MDA-ROU border decreased the number of illegal migrants more than 50%. This situation can be attributed due to the liberalization of visa regime with EU for Moldovan nationals, which were previously involved in attempts of illegal crossing border. Therewith, decreased in number the migrants from Southeast Asia, as a result of measures taken by border security or the illegal migrants try to identify other routes to reach one of the EU countries.

In the Q1-Q3'2014 there is **an increase in number of recorded cases and detained persons involved in cigarettes smuggling activities**. Thus, the Border Police seized over 120 thousand packs of cigarettes in 39 cases of attempted smuggling cigarettes or 10% more cases of ascertained offenses. The most cases documented by BP, were on the Moldovan-Romanian border, particularly at „green” border.

**During the year under review, is observed the intensification of cases with smuggling alcohol and alcoholic products** compared to Q1-Q3, 2013. Thus, have been documented 19 cases of illegal trafficking with alcohol and alcoholic products, the indicator increasing 2,4 times, compared to the same period of 2013, but the quantity of retained alcohol increased by about 30%. This category of smuggling is eminently characteristic to the MDA-UKR border segment.

**By the border control subdivisions of Border Police were retained 84 transport units for illegal import or export to/from RM**. Their number decreased by 46% over the same period of 2013. The statistics indicate a decrease in number of offenses on the main reasons that served as the basis for transport units stopped in BCPs. Therewith, increased the number of detecting cases of transport units in which the engine number doesn't match the one indicated in the registration certificate. Accordingly, such cases were mainly fixed at BCP on the MDA-UKR border.





## PART I Operational activity indicators of the Border Police

### Indicators of persons flow through BCP's

Indicators of persons flow at the state border of RM (mln. persons)							
The persons flow	2013		2014		Dynamics		
	Q1-Q3	%	Q1-Q3	%	Tendency	%	
<b>TOTAL flow</b>	12,04	100%	11,02	100%	↘	-8%	<b>100%</b>
<b>Nationals of RM</b>	8,33	69%	7,56	69%	↘	-9%	
<b>Foreign citizens</b>	3,71	31%	3,46	31%	↘	-7%	
The flow at the Ukrainian border (without Transnistrian sector)							<b>52%</b>
<b>MDA-UKR flow</b>	7,58	100%	5,75	100%	↘	-24%	
<b>Nationals of RM</b>	5,46	72%	4,15	72%	↘	-24%	
<b>Foreign citizens</b>	2,12	28%	1,6	28%	↘	-24%	
The flow at the Romanian border							<b>35%</b>
<b>MDA-ROU flow</b>	3,41	100%	3,86	100%	↗	13%	
<b>Nationals of RM</b>	2,21	65%	2,58	67%	↗	17%	
<b>Foreign citizens</b>	1,20	35%	1,28	33%	↗	7%	
The flow at the airline border							<b>13%</b>
<b>Airline flow</b>	1,05	100%	1,39	100%	↗	32%	
<b>Nationals of RM</b>	0,66	63%	0,82	59%	↗	24%	
<b>Foreign citizens</b>	0,39	37%	0,57	41%	↗	46%	

For the period January–September 2014 the value recorded of persons flow in BCP were few about 11 million crossings, decreasing by 8% compared to the same period of 2013, when were fixed over 12 million crossings. The main reasons which influenced the reduction of persons flow: *the social-political tense situation in Ukraine and the restrictions of migration policy of Russian Federation imposed to nationals from CIS*. The decrease of persons flow was so at the expense of citizens of Moldova, as well as of the foreigners, by 9% and 7% respectively.

Thus, the *most pronounced decrease of flow was recorded in BCP at the MDA-UKR border by 24% lesser than in the Q1-Q3'2013*. The decrease is observed both at the exit and entry from/to RM. Therewith, the BCP on this segment of border holds the largest share of persons flow or with a share of 52% out of total.

The share of persons flow at the Romanian border increased over the same period of the last year and was accounted 35% of the total (compared to 28% in the Q1-Q3'2013). *The values of persons flow recorded in BCP at the MDA-ROU border increased by 13% compared to January-September 2013 representing about*

3.9 million crossings. This growth was characterized by the greater mobility of persons compared to the last year, especially due to Moldovan crossings, the indicator increased by 17%. This is explained by the fact that since April 28, 2014 Moldovan citizens enjoy freedom of movement in the EU countries without needing a visa.

*The most visible increase of persons flow was recorded at the airline border, where were fixed about 1.4 million crossings or by 32% more compared to the same period of 2013*. This increase is characteristic for all flow indicators at this border segment. Particularly, the crossing border by foreigners at this sector has increased considerably by 46%, and Moldovan citizens by 24%, respectively, factors that led to the increase in number of passengers at this segment were: *visa liberalization with EU and Turkey; advantageous prices at airline tickets, especially for destinations that are more requested; launching new flights (Chisinau-Barcelona, Chisinau-Kiev), the frequency increase of regular flights (Chisinau-Bucharest, Chisinau-Tel-Aviv)*. Respectively, the share of persons flow on this border segment was 13% of total crossings.

### **Actual trends:**

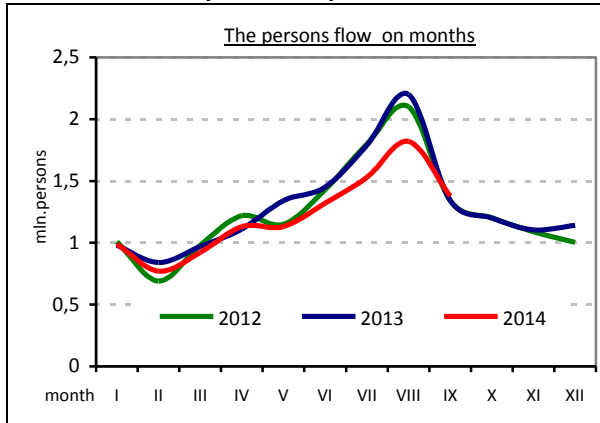
- ***The values of persons flow who crossed the border state in Q1-Q3'2014 recorded a decrease by 8% compared to the same period of 2013***, actually influenced by:
  - the political situation from Ukraine (especially armed confrontations), remains unstable, leading to decreased travel in this country or transit through the territory of this country;
  - as well as the changes in migration legislation of the Russian Federation, which were adopted in this period, significantly reduced the number of crossings of citizens who travel regularly to work in the Russian Federation.
- Thus, the ***persons flow at the MDA-UKR border segment was in significantly decrease by 24% or 5,75 million crossings***. The persons flow at this segment holds a share of 52% out of total. This decrease influenced the values of persons flow overall.
- At the same time, ***the persons flow at the MDA-ROU border segment registered an increase of 13% or 3,86 million of crossings***, holding a share of 35% overall flow of people. The increase may be explained by the fact that:
  - beginning with April 28 2014, the nationals of Republic of Moldova can travel to EU countries without needing a visa;
  - During of summer season the moldovan tourists preferred EU countries to go on vacation, trip, etc., thus avoiding Ukraine;

- **An essential growth of persons flow (by 32%)** was recorded at the airline border, representing over 1.39 million crossings. The share of persons flow amounted to 13% of the total number. Reasons for increase in trafficking:
  - EU visa-free regime for Moldovan nationals;
  - the liberalization of prices at airline tickets ;
  - opening up new low-cost flights to Italy (Roma, Venice, Barcelona etc.) and not only;
  - increasing the number of flights to Russian Federation (ex. Chisinau-Sankt-Petersburg or Moscow);
  - increasing preferences of people to travel by plane etc.;
  - following the escalation of political situation and violences in Ukraine, more and more people prefer to travel by plane to Russian Federation than to transit Ukraine over the land border.
  - the nationals of RM increasingly choose to go on holiday in one of the EU countries, especially with the entry into force of the EU visa-free regime.

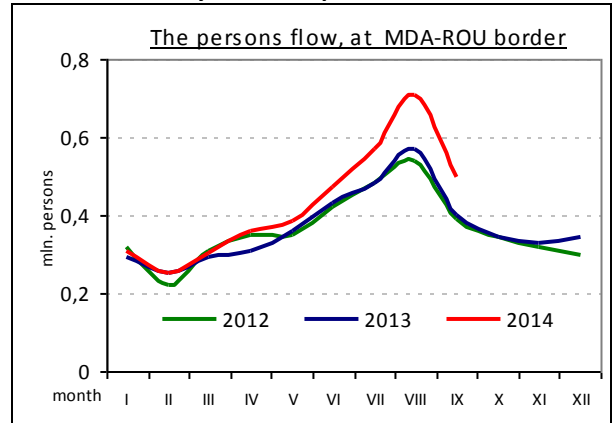
### **Potential forecasts:**

- Despite this situation, our forecasts on increasing total flow of persons in 2014 between 5-6% not come true, and this turning of situation is generated mostly by extremely tense situation from Ukraine, for wich the persons flow recorded in BCP with this country decreased dramatically;
- So, for whole year of **2014 we estimate a decrease of between 4-5% of the total persons flow**, a conjuncture generated by the rather tense effects situation from Ukraine, as well as the harsh implications of the Russian's migration policy, including the nationals and seasonal workers from RM;
- For the end of 2014, we **forecaste an increase of about 15% in the number of crossings at the MDA-ROU border segment**, but that will not reversed the downward trend of the overall persons flow;
- Moreover, the increase of persons flow at the airline border will remain the same and for the last quarter of 2014, for wich for the whole year of 2014 **we expect an increase of about 34-35% of the flow at the airline border in comparison to 2013**;
- Moreover, the occurence of other new races (ex., Chisinau-Nijne-Vartovsc , Chisinau – Salonic, towards Roma and Venice etc.) will increase the number of crossings;
- We suppose that the persons flow at the MDA-UKR border segment will continue to decline until the end of the year with about 20%, because of the conflict from Ukraine, as well as the restrictive migration policy of the Russian Federation.

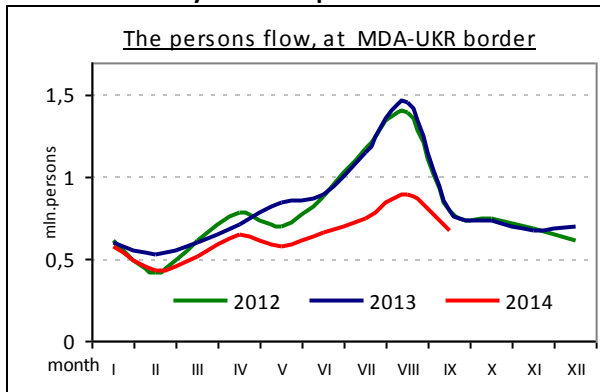
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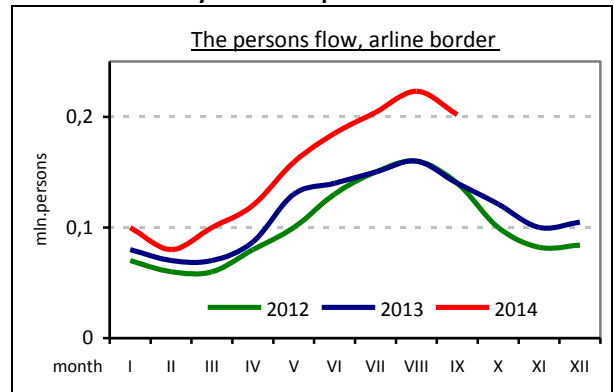
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The dynamics of persons flow in the period of January-September 2014 indicates a similarity with the same periods of 2012-2013. Therewith, at the MDA-UKR border segment it is recorded a visible decrease of crossings, beginning with February, or exactly, at that time actually began the conflict.

However, if we look at the dynamics of persons flow at the airline and MDA-ROU border, when they are growing significantly compared to Q1-Q3 of the previous years. Although, mostly at the MDA-ROU border the flow began to increase visibly from April, and at the airline border right from the beginning of the year.

## Indicators of transport flow through state border crossing points

Indicators of transport flow at the state border of the Republic of Moldova (mln. units)							
Transport flow	2013		2014		Dynamics		
	Q1-Q3	%	Q1-Q3	%	Tendency	%	
<b>TOTAL flow</b>	2,39	100%	2,28	100%	↓	-4,5%	100%
<b>RM transport</b>	1,35	57%	1,22	53%	↓	-10%	
<b>Foreign transport</b>	1,04	43%	1,06	47%	↑	3%	
The flow at the Ukrainian border (without Transnistrian sector)							43%
<b>The MDA-UKR flow</b>	1,25	100%	0,99	100%	↓	-20,8%	
<b>RM transport</b>	0,90	72%	0,73	74%	↓	-18,9%	
<b>Foreign transport</b>	0,35	28%	0,26	26%	↓	-25,7%	
The flow at the Romanian border							56%
<b>The MDA-ROU flow</b>	1,13	100%	1,28	100%	↑	13%	
<b>RM transport</b>	0,45	40%	0,48	38%	↑	7%	
<b>Foreign transport</b>	0,68	60%	0,80	63%	↑	18%	
The flow at the airline border							1%
<b>Airline flow</b>	0,0117	100%	0,0130	100%	↑	13,8%	
<b>Republic of Moldova aircrafts</b>	0,0058	50%	0,0064	48%	↑	10,3%	
<b>Foreign aircrafts</b>	0,0060	50%	0,0069	52%	↑	17,3%	

During the 9 months of 2014 the number of transport units recorded in BCP's was 2,28 million crossings or by 4,5% lesser than in the same period of 2013. At the same time, the statistics shows that the vehicles flow with foreign registration has been increasing by 3% compared to Q1-Q3'2013, especially at the entry in RM. This fact, can be assigned largely, due the cancellation to restrictions on its territory of RM for 180 days in a year for motor vehicles registered in other countries.

The largest share of transport flow was recorded at the MDA-ROU border - 56% out of total. At this border segment the transport flow registered an increase of 13% compared to January-September 2013. Besides this, this increase is both on account of the vehicles flow with foreign registration, as well as those with national registration by 18% and 7% respectively.

At the MDA-UKR border segment the vehicles flow, as for the persons flow, was in pronounced decrease – about 21% compared to Q1-Q3'2013. Due to the fact that the share of transport units on this segment was 43%, this decrease influence the transport flow per overall. Therewith, the decreasing of transport flow was characteristic for all flow indicators at this sector.

At the same time, was recorded a considerable increase of crossings number at the airline border– about 14%, fact largely influenced by foreign aircraft- over 17%. In addition, in this period the foreign airlines offered new destinations and additional routes to some of them, were significantly reduced the ticket prices. Moreover, more of Moldovan nationals use International Airport Chisinau, at the expense of car. Aircrafts share was 1% of overall transport.

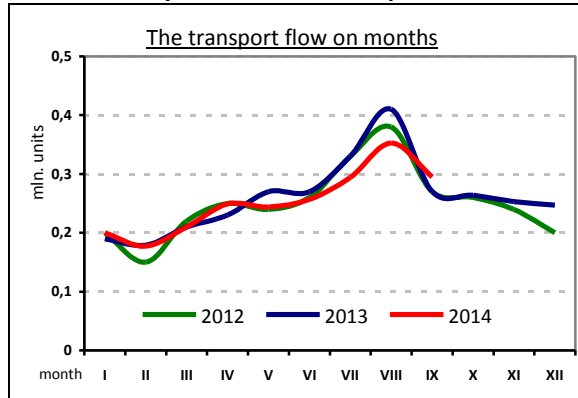
#### **Actual tendencies:**

- In the Q1-Q3'2014 the number of transport units recorded in BCP was about 2,3 million crossings or by 4,5% lesser in comparison to the same period of 2013;
- Therewith, increased the foreign transport flow by 3%, and a main reason was the changing of the legal framework to the time limit for the transport of foreign registration in Moldova;
- Over 56% of the total crossings have been documented at the MDA-ROU border segment. The transport flow on that segment increased by 13% compared to the same period of 2013. Mostly increased the transport units flow with foreign registration by 18%;
- The values of transport flow at the MDA-UKR border segment experienced a sharp decrease of about 21% compared to Q1-Q3'2013. The decrease has been documented for all indicators on this segment, inclusively as the result of social-political situation in Ukraine. The share of transport was 43% of total crossings.

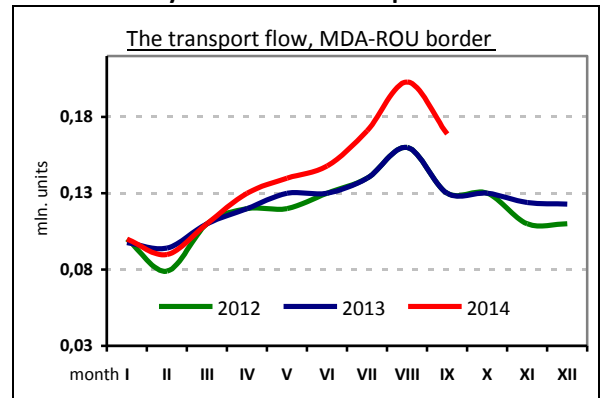
#### ■ **Potential forecasts:**

- As the flow of people, the reduction of transport units flow in 2014 remains valid, and this may vary between 3-4 % overall;
- The largest decrease of the flow is estimated in BCP at the MDA-UKR border segment, tendency generated inclusively by the consequences of the social-political situation from Ukraine;
- Therewith, the BCP's at the MDA-ROU border segment will register an increase of transport flow between 12-13%, that growth will temper the overall decrease of flow;
- Moreover, for the whole year of 2014 at the airline border segment is expected a similar increase to that estimated at the MDA-ROU border, of about 12-13%.

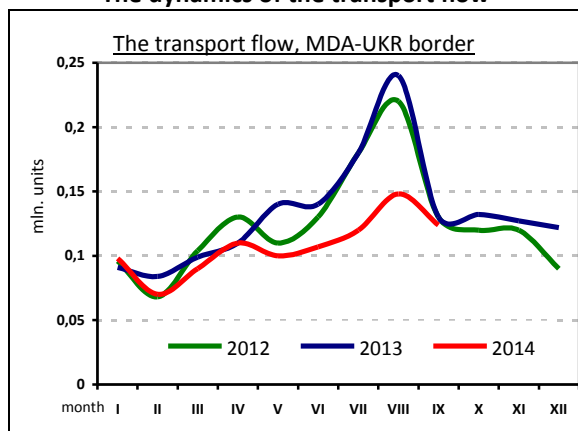
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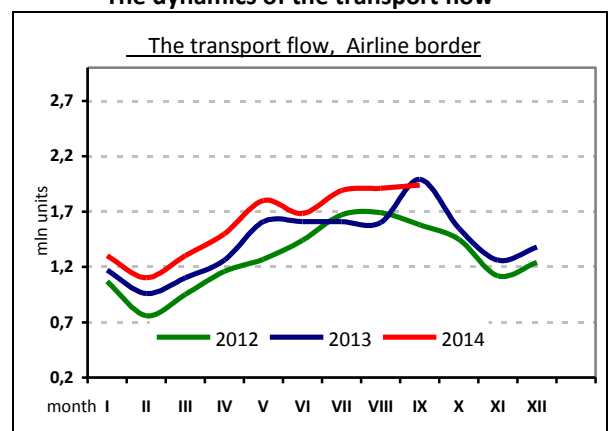
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The dynamics in the January-September 2014 was similar to those registered in the Q1-Q3'2013.

At the same time, at the MDA-UKR border is observed a visible decrease of transport flow compared to 2013, especially from May, current year.

Withal, at the MDA-ROU border, as the result of liberalization of visa regime with EU at the end of April, the transport flow increased considerably.

For aircrafts flow recorded at the airline border, as well as in the case of persons flow has been registered a significantly increase compared to Q1-Q3'2012-2013. Therewith, in the month September 2014, the aircrafts flow decreased, as a result of reduction flow of national aircrafts by 10%, compared to September 2013.

## Refusals of the border state crossing

In the Q1-Q3'2014 the Border Police refused the crossing of 3064 persons, representing by 41% lesser compared to the same period of 2013.

A sharp decline of refusals number was recorded at the MDA-UKR border segment, with 48% lesser than the same period of the last year. This condition was generated as the result of decreasing persons flow at that sector.

At the same time, at the MDA-ROU border segment wasn't authorized crossing of 604 persons or being in decrease by 35%

compared to Q1-Q3'2013. For this segment, mostly, the decrease was influenced by liberalization of EU visa free-regime for RM nationals.

Therewith, at the airline border is observed a slight increase of crossings number, by 7% or with 32 persons more compared to January-September 2013. In fact, at this border segment the increase in number of refusals was essentially due to the Moldovan nationals and those of Russian Federation, by 58% and 4% respectively.

Refusal indicators of border state crossings, general information, persons						
	Q1-Q3, 2013	%	Q1-Q3, 2014	%	Dynamics	%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5212</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3064</b>	<b>100%</b>	↓	<b>-41%</b>
<b>MDA-UKR border</b>	3844	74%	1986	65%	↓	-48%
<b>MDA-ROU border</b>	926	18%	604	20%	↓	-35%
<b>Airline border</b>	442	8%	474	15%	↑	7%

During the reporting period, to a significant number of persons haven't been authorized crossing for presentation of *invalid document*, the attempt to cross the border with *expired document*, *unaccompanied minor*, existence of *consignments*, *internal document (ID card)*, *minor without valid documents*, *the lack of visa*, *failure to confirm the purpose of journey*.

Therewith, as can be seen from the table above, decrease was characteristic for all

reason indicators of refusals for state border crossing, exception being *the failure to confirm the purpose of journey* for which the number of cases remained the same. This fact can suggest, on the other hand, a relative discipline of the persons who crossed the state border with the purpose of the trip and others. Therewith, the access to information on border crossing rules resulted the decreasing of refusals.

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## REM indicator

### Refusal at the entry in RM

REM indicator, general information						
	Q1-Q3, 2013	%	Q1-Q3, 2014	%	Dynamics	%
Total	1143	100%	590	100%	↓	-48%
MDA-UKR border	536	47%	234	40%	↓	-56%
MDA-ROU border	412	36%	163	27%	↓	-60%
Airline border	195	17%	193	33%	↓	-1%

According to statistics, the REM indicator, referring in particular to foreigners, has recorded a decrease in number of persons who were refused the entry in RM or with 48% lesser compared to Q1-Q3'2013.

That reduction is characterized for all border segments, especially for MDA-ROU and MDA-UKR border, where was recorded a decrease with about 60% for each of them compared to the similar period of the last year .

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## IEM indicator

### Interdiction at the exit from RM

IEM indicator, general information						
	Q1-Q3, 2013	%	Q1-Q3, 2014	%	Dynamics	%
Total	4069	100%	2474	100%	↓	-39%
MDA-UKR border	3308	81%	1752	71%	↓	-47%
MDA-ROU border	514	13%	441	18%	↓	-14%
Airline border	247	6%	281	11%	↑	14%

The indicator *interdiction at the exit* from RM, wich especially is assigned to nationals of RM, also indicate a decrease in number of persons who have interdiction at the exit from RM, by 39% lesser compared to Q1-Q3, 2013.

This tendency is only current for MDA-UKR and MDA-ROU border, with 47% and 14%, respectively lesser. Exception being airline border, which recorded an increase by 14% compared to Q1-Q3, 2013.

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## Violation of border legislation





In the Q1-Q3'2014 the subdivisions of Border Police registered about 2550 cases of violation of border legislation of the RM, with involvement of about 3100 persons. Compared to the similar period of the previous year we have a stable number situation of recorded cases and a slight increase (3%) of documented persons. Analyzing situation at the border segments we have a visible increase in number of persons detected for

violation of border legislation at the MDA-ROU and MDA-UKR border segments. The increase is attesting both in BCP, as well as at the „green” border segment. A significant decrease was ascertained at the airline border segment, including 48% of people. This decrease is explained by reducing the number of documented persons for breaking rules of stay (competence attributed to BMA from November 2013).

Countering the violation of border legislation										
Border sectors	Q1-Q3' 2013				Q1-Q3' 2014				Dynamics, %	
	cases	%	Pers.	%	cases	%	Pers.	%	cases	Pers.
<b>Total</b>	2550	100%	3023	100%	2547	100%	3099	100%	=	3%
<b>„Green” border</b>	551	100%	968	100%	748	100%	1224	100%	36%	26%
<b>Crossing points</b>	1999	100%	2055	100%	1799	100%	1875	100%	-10%	-9%
<b>Airline border</b>	606	30%	613	30%	313	17%	321	17%	-48%	-48%

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## Results of checking documents

Results of border control, the detection of counterfeit, forged, foreign documents							
	Q1-Q3'2013		Q1-Q3'2014		Dynamics, %		
	Pers.	%	Pers.	%			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>100%</b>		<b>-27%</b>	100%
Counterfeit document	152	57%	89	46%		<b>-41%</b>	
Forged document	107	40%	98	50%		<b>-8%</b>	
Doesn't belong to holder	8	3%	8	4%		<b>=</b>	

The analysis of checking documents indicates that the number of used counterfeit and forged documents, discovered by the officers of the BP in all BCPs, decreased by 27% (-72 persons) compared to Q1-Q3' 2013.

The forged documents ascertained in BCP at the MDA-UKR border is 36% of the total. Also, these were in decrease with about 60% compared to Q1-Q3'2013. At the same time, the forged documents detected in BCP at the MDA-ROU border have doubled practical and constituted over 43% of the total.

As for false/forged travel documents detected at the state border crossing the largest number was recorded at SBP „Chisinau-Airport”, with a slight increase by 5% compared to 2013.

Actually, about half of these counterfeit, forged and foreign documents were detected particularly at this segment of the border. Or, this situation suggests that the nationals use counterfeit, forged, foreign documents with purpose of illegal migration.

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## PART II Risk analysis

### Illegal migration

The phenomenon of migration in the Republic of Moldova, in terms of its illegality, may be characterized by three indicators: *illegal border crossing by different methods and routes, illegal stay in the host-state and illegal work abroad.*

At the border crossing the migrants use frequently illegal methods. Among the channels at the border crossing are highlighted:

- *illegal border crossing at the „green” sector;*
- *border crossing through crossing points on the basis of forged documents/foreign counterfeit;*
- more often lately the nationals from Asian countries and Middle East uses a new way to, cross the border illegally as well as its passage through checkpoints being hidden in heavy vehicles carrying various types of materials and products.

Analyzing the situation for Q1-Q3'2014 we can ascertain a *relative increase of the*

*phenomenon, namely the number of illegal immigrants by 13% compared to the same period of 2013. Therewith, at the MDA-ROU border segment decreased the number of illegal migrants by over 50%. The number of Moldovan illegals decreased as the result of liberalization EU free-regime visa. Moreover, decreased and the number of illegals originating from the South-Eastern Asia who use the Republic of Moldova as a transit country to reach Western European countries. This phenomenon is explained by the introduction of much tougher border control measures at the MDA-UKR segment, the sector that sometimes they entered illegally in the Republic of Moldova. In this period at that border segment increased the number of illegal migrants detected from CSI states and non-CSI who had the purpose to reach the UE, transiting the territory of Moldova.*

Illegal migration, persons												
Sectors	Q1'12	Q2'12	Q3'12	Q4'12	Q1'13	Q2'13	Q3'13	Q4'13	Q1'14	Q2'14	Q3'14	Compared to Q1-Q3'13
Total	46	84	37	27	20	35	15	16	31	25	23	13%
GB	24	66	32	15	16	20	8	8	25	20	14	34%
BCP	22	18	5	12	4	15	7	8	6	5	9	-23%

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## Smuggling cigarettes

In recent years the smuggling cigarettes has grown at the Republic of Moldova borders, traffickers staked on impressive profits they can get from selling at the black markets in the EU. Where the price of the package is four times higher than at the local market. Thus, from January and till the end of September at

the border state overall were seized over 120 thousand packs of cigarettes in 39 cases of smuggling attempt. In comparison with those 9 months of 2013, in 2014, we have with 10% more cases of ascertained offenses, and the quantity of seized cigarettes remained the same.

Smuggling cigarettes, general information								
	Q. 1 2013	Q. 2 2013	Q. 3 2013	Q. 4 2013	Q. 1 2014	Q. 2 2014	Q. 3 2014	Compared to Q1-Q3, 2013
<b>TOTAL</b>								
cases	37	31	38	41	34	44	39	10%
persons	40	40	48	50	39	51	55	13%
Quantity (packages)	41 161	95 831	175 966	172 901	72 399	116 493	120 882	-1%

If analyze the border data types, the most offenses of smuggling cigarettes detected, detained persons and number of seized cigarettes was ascertained at the „green” border with Romania. In the table below is indicated numerically the smuggling at the border (*the breaching attempt and illegal*

*crossing of border*) and which indicates the extent of smuggling cigarettes at the MDA-ROU border. Thus, in the Q1-Q3'2014 the number of border offenses, as well as the quantity of smuggling cigarettes, increased by over 20% and 30%, respectively, compared to Q1-Q3, 2013.

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## Alcohol smuggling

The situation with regard at the alcohol smuggling and spirits is highlighted from the table below, particularly the tendency on quarters. This category of smuggling, especially is characteristic to the MDA-UKR border segment.

Thus, in the analyzing period of current year, were documented 19 cases of alcohol

smuggling. This indicator increased substantially – by 2,4 times, compared to the same period of 2013. Also, the quantity of alcohol retained increased by about 30% compared to Q1-Q2'2013.

On the whole, the alcohol smuggling and spirits was fixed both in BCP, as well as at the „green” border sector.

Alcohol smuggling								
	Q. 1 2013	Q. 2 2013	Q. 3 2013	Q. 4 2013	Q. 1 2014	Q. 2 2014	Q. 3 2013	Compared to 2013, Q1-Q3
<b>TOTAL</b>								
Cases	3	3	2	1	2	13	4	by 2,4 times
persons	3	5	6	2	1	11	6	29%
Quantity (tons)	1,99	0,2	19,4	64,2	0,4	12,5	11,4	13%

The most cases documented at the „green” border occurred at the sectors of responsibility RD „North”, were seized about 12 tons of alcohol and spirits, but in BCP

prevail those from the responsibility of RD „South”, with retentions of about 500 liters of alcohol in 5 cases.

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## Entry/exit of illegal vehicles in/from Republic of Moldova

In the January-September 2014 the officers from BCPs of Border Police detected and retained 84 transport units whose owners or trustees intended to entry/exit illegal in/from RM. The most illegalities, about 60% of total, were committed by the nationals of RM.

However, despite this, the number of transport units retained decreased by 46% compared to the same period of 2013. The decrease was especially at the MDA-UKR border as the result of reduction flow on this segment, by 60%.

Therewith, in comparison to Q1-Q3'2013 the statistics indicated a decrease number of offenses, the main reasons that served as the basis for stopping vehicles in BCPs.

Respectively, the number of offenses which served as the basis for false power of attorneys with the right to own transport unit and the registration certificates decreased by 56%, and those with number modified car body, by 43%.

At the same time, increased the number of detected cases of the transport units thereupon the engine number didn't match the one indicated in the registration certificate, respectively with 10 units more than in the same period of 2013. Such cases have been mostly fixed in BCPs at the MDA-UKR border.

Therewith, the offenses relating to means of transport are decreasing, their risk of detection is maintained and further.

Illegal import-export of vehicles, transport units								
Reason of stopping in BCP	Q. 1 2013	Q. 2 2013	Q. 3 2013	Q. 4 2013	Q. 1 2014	Q. 2 2014	Q. 3 2014	Compared to Q1-Q3'2013
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>-46%</b>
No. of modified body	4	1	2	1	1	2	1	<b>-43%</b>
No. of modified engine or didn't match with one indicated in r/c	-	1	-	1	1	5	5	<b>by 11 times</b>
False/forged registration certificate	6	15	9	5	3	4	6	<b>-56%</b>
False power of attorney	32	39	46	20	18	18	15	<b>-56%</b>
Document not belong to holder	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	<b>100%</b>
Others	-	1	-	1	2	2	-	<b>by 4 times</b>

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