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Presentation of Interim Report of the Georgian National Communications Commission

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Georgian Young Lawyers' Association (GYLA) and Levan Mikeladze Foundation implemented

monitoring of practice of the Georgian National Communications Commission in June-September 2011.

Presentation of Interim Report of the coalition project Civil Monitoring for Improvement of TV Media Environment was held in Tbilisi Marriot on October 18.

During the reporting period particular attention was paid to lawfulness of sanctions imposed on authorized entities (cable televisions), protection of consumers' interests and issues related to transparency of the process of regulation.

During the presentation, head of GNCC's legal department, Mr. Kakhi Kurashvili conveyed his positions. According to him, the GNCC shared some of the recommendations elaborated by the monitoring team.

Interesting discussion was held about the report. Part of the report that dealt with conflict of interests proved to be particularly thought-provoking. As the team concludes, GNCC Chairperson's indirect economic interest in TV broadcasters was evident. Inefficiency of public defender's institute was also discussed publicly. According to the GNCC's 2010 report, total of 108 applications were filed in the office of public defender.

The next report of the monitoring team is scheduled to be published in December 2011. It will focus on recommendations for submission to the GNCC.

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