[AM] Adoption of the Action Plan on disinformation

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On 27th December 2023, the Prime Minister of Armenia sanctioned, through his decision, the National Concept and the Action Plan dedicated to combating disinformation within the country.

The prime pillar of this strategy is 'strengthening the capabilities of public institutions of Armenia to detect, analyse, and expose disinformation.' Under this pillar, the following activities are listed for implementation:

1. Improving strategic communication within government agencies, strengthening human, financial, and technical resources in their public communication departments;

2. Improving the proactive transparency of government agencies;

3. Instituting a self-assessment and evaluation system for transparency and accountability within government agencies.

A further pillar of the strategy is to elevate the level of knowledge and media literacy concerning media freedom, thus forming public resistance to disinformation.

Specifically, the Concept aims to develop and implement ethical codes of conduct for Public Television and Radio. The remit of the independent regulatory body, the National Television and Radio Commission, is to be expanded, with a mandatory focus on the development of media literacy. The Commission is tasked with ensuring increase in public awareness regarding the media's role and mission, the role and functions of regulatory and self-regulatory bodies, and the significance and regulation of media ownership transparency.

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