Terms of Reference: Ministry of Interior of Slovakia Spending Review

Effective and reliable general government and citizen safety are the most important functions of the Ministry of Interior of Slovakia. These activities are carried out by civil servants, police, and firefighters. The Ministry of Interior's spending review will focus the expenditure of EUR 1.3 bil. (1.4% of GDP) used to ensure functioning of the general governemnt, protection of public order, protection of borders and saving lives and health.

Results

The Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic (Mol SR) ensures the agenda of internal administration through client centers and district offices. The goal of the Mol SR in this area is to provide high quality and accessible public administration services for the citizens. Additionally, the Mol SR ensures security and protection of public order, border protection, and saving lives and health. Activities are carries out by members of the Police Corps and Fire and Rescue Corps.

The review will analyze the result indicators of the main functions of the Mol SR. 51% of the population does not trust the Slovak police, whereas the EU average is 24% (Eurobarometer data). In other Mol indicators, the number of thefts, deliberate murders, or road accident victims is more favourable compared to international data. The quality of internal administration services for citizens will be assessed through indicators such as time spent at the offices and the number of visits to the district offices per year. The review will propose further indicators that will better inform of the results of the sector.

The review of Mol SR spending will focus on the effective use of financial resources and employment in the provision of general government services to citizens. In activities provided by the police force, the spending review will focus on reviewing the activities performed, the result achieved, the number of police officers, and the effectiveness of spending.

Fiscal objectives and review areas

The Mol SR has a budget of EUR 2.7 bil, of which 52% is directed towards general government, police, and rescue services. The spending review will analyze all expenditures of the Mol, except education transfers (Education and Youth Training budget program). It will focus on two main activies of the Mol SR – general government services through disctrict offices and client centers, and the safety and protection of public order and saving lives and health.

The spending review will propose measures aimed at improving the efficiency of spending. The main goal is to identify saving measures. The review will offer measures to improve the sector's results. It will also evaluate the planned invetments of the Mol SR.

Within the police force, the review will emphasie the effectiveness of the financial resources spent in protecting public order and saving lives and health. Attention will be paid to territorial distribution of police officers, with regard to the possibility of effective intervention by police and firefighters. The review also aims to examine the cost and time-efficiency of administrative proceedings by the police force.

In the general government area, the spending review will focus on institutions under the responsibility of the Mol SR, which fulfill the sectional tasks of the general government. In addition to evaluating the provision of services by public authorities, the spending review will also focus on the competences of individual components, with the goal of optimizing processes within the general government and satisfaction of the citizens.

TABLE 1 – Budget of Mol SR, except for transfers to education

	2017	2018	2019 R	2020 R	2021 R
Total	1 263	1 469	1 285	1 375	1 375
Effective and reliable state administration	1 189	1 359	1 217	1 205	1 196
Protection of public order and security	657	730	744	744	744
Saving lives and health – rescue components	127	174	114	114	114

Other programs ²	73	110	67	170	2droj: RIS
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Other ¹	19	17	30	18	g
Management and control	55	62	53	53	53
Central support	209	247	168	168	168
District offices	123	129	107	108	108

Responsibility and deadlines

The MoF SR is responsible for the review, which will be developed in cooperation with the MoI SR. For the purposes of analyzing the aforementioned areas, the MoI SR and MoF SR are obliged to cooperate in providing complete and detailed data and information. Spending review of the Ministry of Interior SR will be prepared and published by the end of April 2020.

¹ Includes subprograms 0D604 Archives, 0D605 Asylum Policy, 0D609 Elections, 0D60A European Union Projects, 0D60B Technical Assistance, 0D60C Environmental Quality Operational Program

² Programs 002 Civil Emergency planning in Slovakia, 05T Development cooperation, 06E Defense support, 06G Human resources, 06H Economic Mobilization, 097 Slovak Contributions to International Organizations, 0AR MPRV SR – Antidrug Policy, 0AS Critical Infrastructure Protection in Slovakia,0DB Effects of 2 stages of implementation of the International Health Regulations of the World Health Organization in Slovakia, 0E9 Operational Program for Effective Public Administration, 0EJ Information Society Interdepartmental Program 2014 - 2020, 0EK Information technologies financed by the state budget