



Transparency in the area of state aid

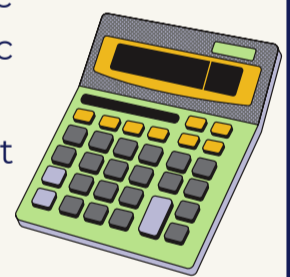
1 Each Party shall notify annually to the other Party *the total amount, types and the sectoral distribution of state aid*. Respective notifications should contain *information concerning the objective, form, the amount or budget, the granting authority* and where possible *the recipient of the aid*.



2 Upon request by a Party, the other Party shall provide further information on any state aid scheme and particular individual cases of state aid affecting trade between the Parties. The Parties shall exchange this information taking into account *the limitations imposed by the requirements of professional and business secrecy*.

3 The Parties shall ensure that financial relations between public authorities and public undertakings are transparent, so that the following emerge clearly:

- *public funds* made available directly or indirectly (for example through the intermediary of public undertakings or financial institutions) by public authorities to the public undertakings concerned;
- *the use* to which these public funds are actually put into.



4 The Parties shall moreover ensure that *the financial and organisational structure* of any undertaking that enjoys a special or exclusive right granted by Ukraine or the Member States of the European Union or is entrusted with the operation of a service of general economic interest, that receives public service compensation, *is correctly reflected in separate accounts*, so that the following emerge clearly:

- *the costs and revenues* associated with all products or services in respect of which a special or exclusive right is granted to an undertaking or all services of general economic interest with which an undertaking is entrusted and each other separate product or service in respect of which the undertaking is active;
- full details of *the methods by which costs and revenues are assigned or allocated* to different activities.

*These methods shall operate on *the basis of accounting principles* of causality, objectivity, transparency and consistency, according to internationally recognised accounting methodologies and *be based on audited data*.