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International cooperation in solving illegal trading in the field of PPPs

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PPP – illegal trade online shop

- History of case in Slovak republic:
 - Year 2023
 - Risk analysis of Official Controls for PPP
 - Regulation (EU) 2017/625, Art. 53 (1) goods ordered by sales through distance contracts, including by telephone or via the internet
- Regular customer:
 - e-shop looks like Slovak, name of e-shop and Slovak domain,
 - telephone number, email contacts, general business conditions, complaint form, description of goods are in Slovak language,
 - Slovak delivery companies,
 - payment with delivery (now only in advance),
 - large selection of PPP
 - 40 different eshop - large number of different goods, for example:
 - children, home & garden, sports, tourism, fishing, food, agriculture, car & motorcycles,



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- Year 2023
- Official Controls:
 - web sites automatically use of Google translator, original language not Slovak,
 - name of trader maybe Slovak, address another country in EU, operator of e-shop in third country
 - trader`s name is in the trade register but another address
 - bank account is Slovak, tax identification number another country EU
 - GHS 06  for regular customer
- Result of official control:
 - ordered, paid, delivered not authorized PPP in Slovak republic,
 - opened procedure but delivery address in another country in EU,
 - no reply on official communication,



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- Year 2024
- EU country contacted Slovak republic with problematic e-shop,
- This EU country don't have any information on open case from year 2023,
- Result from other EU country
 - company on the address in their country it is not registered as professional company with PPP
 - address on invoice is only company with storage services, there is not e-shop office
 - storage services company has contract with Person (Slovak republic?), only for storage service
 - person from another EU country don't communicate, don't reply
 - Job offer on job portal says: “*Do you speak Hungarian, Bulgarian, German, Romanian, Croatian, Italian or Slovenian? Join our team at...!*” Date of publication: 7th May 2024
 - Now this company probably operate in 9 EU countries



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- Until Ceureg 2024 this is an open case.
- More questions:
 - How to solve this problematic case? At least 3 EU countries, probably 9 countries
 - Who is this unknown person? Is he really from Slovak republic?
 - Why the online shop use translation from other language?
 - Where is the official company office?
 - Where is the official storage of PPP?
 - It is really online shop or only webgallery?
 - Who is owner of the PPP and other goods?
 - Country of origin?
 - Laboratory analyses of PPP?
 - Why PPP are not authorized in the country? Are they authorized in another country?
 - How to stop company, which used transport service for deliver?
 - What about effective communication (Official control of PPP, Police, Financial services...)?
 - What about taxes (value added tax, income tax...)?



Thank you for your attention.