

International cartel investigations: *Issues and solutions*

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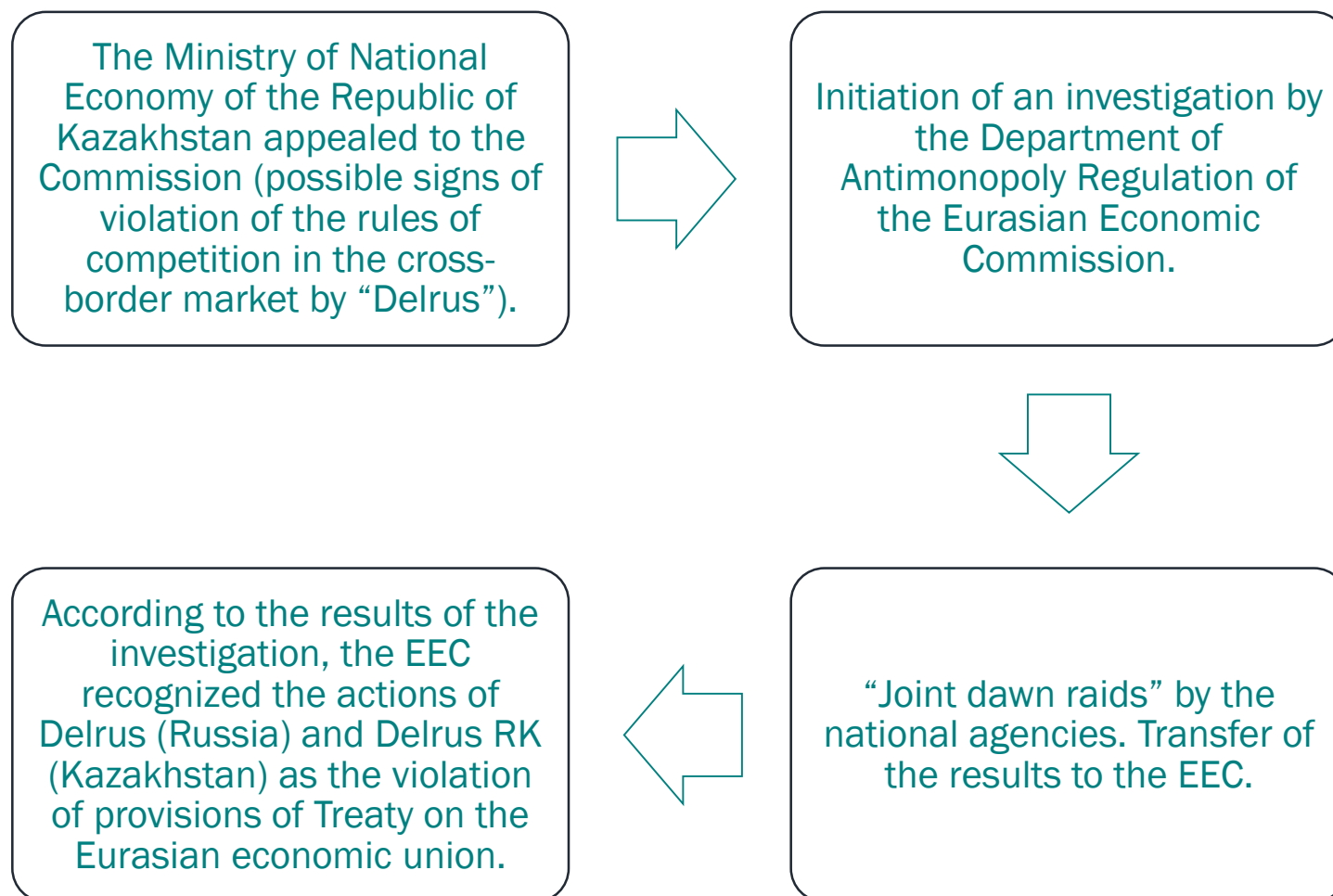


1. Issues.



Effective investigation of international cartels requires the *following issues to be resolved.*

Permanent *supranational regulatory body* as an *effective mechanism* to counter international cartels.



Direct cooperation agreements between governments in the field of protection of competition, as an effective mechanism to exercise the antitrust authorities' function to counter international cartels.

Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Belarus on cooperation in the field of competition protection

The competent authority of each of the Parties is entitled to send an order to the competent authority of the other Party to carry out certain procedural actions, including, an order to request documents or conduct raids at dawn.

The competent authority has the right to send a request to the competent authority of the other Party for the provision of information and documents, including confidential information

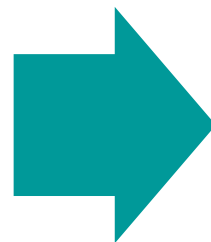
The agreement was signed on February 27, 2019. Ratified by the Republic of Belarus on August 1, 2019.

The first such agreement within the framework of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Coordination of law enforcement activities and synchronization of work within areas of their competence in accordance with national legislation, including 1) conducting joint dawn raids and 2) initiating and considering cases of violation of antitrust laws.

In accordance with the Government of the Russian Federation decision, the issue of developing and adopting of **framework document was worked out by the FAS of Russia with other federal executive bodies.**

After discussion with partners in the Commonwealth of Independent States, it was decided to take it as a basis for further promotion of the initiative to adopt the Convention on international platforms



Draft of such a framework document was circulated as an official document of the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly

Thank you for your attention!



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