

Because of constructing without construction permit in Serbia RERI filed criminal charge against company Linglong

RERI has repeatedly pointed to the illegalities that accompany the realization of the, so called, largest direct investment in Serbia, and the fact that this is considered as the “project of importance for the Republic of Serbia” (although it is not clear what this really means) which cannot be a justification for violating the regulations of the Republic of Serbia.

RERI’s lawyers filed a criminal charge against the responsible in Linglong International Europe Ltd. Zrenjanin, China Energy Engineering Group Tianjin Electric Power Construction Co., Ltd. and CRE International Ltd. Belgrade due to suspicion that they performed construction works on the construction of the tire factory in the City of Zrenjanin without the construction permit.

Due to the suspicion that the investor started performing construction works on the construction of auxiliary facilities within the tire factory complex of the investor Linglong International Europe Ltd. before the construction permit became effective i.e. before the certificate of the registration of work was issued, RERI submitted the request to the City Inspection of Zrenjanin on 27 May 2020, demanding that they conduct an extraordinary inspection surveillance, providing photos that confirm these suspicions.

As the authorized inspector did not act upon the submitted request, RERI filed a complaint against the work of the inspector on 12 July, after which head of the inspection informed RERI that the inspector, almost a month after RERI’s request, could not access the location because of “performed demining of the terrain”. The City Administration of the City of Zrenjanin refused to submit an agreement that would prove the demining was actually carried out on the mentioned site. In addition, the head of inspection informed RERI that the inspector, when he finally accessed the location and performed the site examination, determined that the investor was performing construction works contrary to the construction permit, which is why he ordered the investor to suspend the works and request modification of the construction permit.

RERI reminds that Linglong International Europe Ltd. started the construction of the before mentioned facilities without environmental impact assessment study, since the City Administration of Zrenjanin suspended the environmental impact assessment procedure, stating that there are no conditions for procedure to continue, and declared 215 opinions of the interested public, including the opinion of RERI, unfounded, without additional explanation.

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