## **SLOVAK REPUBLIC**

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RULES/GENERAL LAWS	
Criminal Code (No. 300/2005)	
General	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2005/300/20190101
	Code on Criminal Procedure (No. 301/2005)
	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2005/301/20190101
	Police Force Act (No. 171/1993)
	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/1993/171/20190201
	Law on the Service of Professional Soldiers (No. 281/2015)
	https://www.slov-lex.sk/pravne-predpisy/SK/ZZ/2015/281/20190101
	Slovak civilian police personnel deployed in UN peacekeeping or special political missions are considered by the law as civilians and are prosecuted under the <b>Criminal Code</b> ( <b>No. 300/2005</b> ) for misconduct.
	Slovak military police personnel are prosecuted under the <b>Criminal Code</b> ( <b>No. 300/2005</b> ) for misconduct and also need to respect the <b>Law on the Service of Professional Soldiers</b> ( <b>No. 281/2015</b> ).
	Slovak civilian and military police personnel are considered on duty at all times and they must follow all obligations and regulations with regard to sexual exploitation and sexual abuse.
	Directives and regulations on sexual exploitation and abuse are part of the training, in which every member of the UN mission participates and undergoes before the deployment.
SEA: police offence?	There are no specific policing offences considered sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (SEA). The offences of sexual
	exploitation and sexual abuse are covered by the Criminal Code (No. 300/2005). There are also general regulations
	within the Police Force Act (No. 171/1993). For military police personnel, they also have to follow the Law on the
	Service of Professional Soldiers (No. 281/2015).
Powers of the Commanding Officer (CO)	For civilian police deployed for the UN, as they are to deploy as individual reinforcement, and they are regulated by
	the national legal frameworks as well as the UN regulations.
	For military police deployments, the CO can issue an order applicable for whole units (e.g. no movement out of camp
	because of security threats in the area). CO can not issue restrictions, as a form of punishment for individual soldiers.
	CO is authorized as a result of disciplinary action, e.g. to make a cut of the salary of a soldier. This authorization is
	given to CO by the Law on the Service of Professional Soldiers (No. 281/2015).
INVESTIGATION	
Who can investigate?	Criminal charges against Slovak police officers are investigated solely by the civilian jurisdiction (public prosecutor and civilian courts) in accordance with the <b>Criminal Code</b> (No. 300/2005).
National	
Investigation	As stated in the <b>Police Force Act (No. 171/1993)</b> , for SEA-related misconduct of civilian police, a Slovak special
Officer (NIO)	police investigator will be called upon from the home country to investigate the allegation in the mission area.
	PROSECUTION
	Criminal investigation and prosecution are carried out by a police investigator who immediately delivers the findings
Referral	to the prosecutor.
	After the investigation is completed, the prosecutor submits the charges to the court. Subsequently, the judge decides
Who can charge?	on the innocence or guilt.
JUSTICE	
Doline justice	There is no separate justice system for civilian police personnel. They are considered as civilians and justice is
Police justice	administered in accordance with the <b>Criminal Code</b> ( <b>Art. 300/2005</b> ).
system	

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