# Armen Gevorgyan, Seyran Ohanyan and Yuri Khachaturov



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# Former RA Deputy Prime Minister Armen Gevorgyan

# **Biography:**



• 1997-1998 Assistant to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 13, 1998 Assistant to the President of the Republic of Armenia

• August,1998 First Assistant to the President of the Republic of Armenia, First Deputy Chief of Staff.

• 2000-2006 - First Assistant to the President of the Republic of Armenia.

• February 2006, Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic of Armenia.

• June 2007 to April 2008, Secretary of the National Security Council.

• April 21, 2008, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed Minister of Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia.

• On April 21, 2008, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was appointed Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 21, 2008, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was relieved of the post of Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 21, 2008, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was relieved of the post of Secretary of the National Security Council.

•May 6, 2008, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was appointed a member of the CIS Economic Council.

• On October 8, 2009 by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed National Coordinator of the Republic of Armenia for Cooperation of Independent States.

• June 16, 2012 Minister of Territorial Administration by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia

• May 8, 2013 he was reappointed Minister of Territorial Administration by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 26, 2014 he was reappointed Minister of Territorial Administration by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 27, 2014, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was reappointed to the post of Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia.

• October 17, 2014, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was relieved of the post of Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Territorial Administration of the Republic of Armenia, according to his application.

• December 12, 2014, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was relieved of his duties as a member of the CIS Economic Council.

• February 3, 2015, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was relieved of his duties as the National Coordinator of the Republic of Armenia for Cooperation of Independent States.

• June 6, 2016, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was appointed Secretary of the National Security Council of the Republic of Armenia.

• October 3, 2016, by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia, he was appointed Chief of Staff of the President of the Republic of Armenia, and on April 18, 2018, he was relieved of his post.

• April 18, 2018, he was appointed RA Deputy Prime Minister.

20.05.2021 Former RA Deputy Prime Minister Armen Gevorgyan has been accused of legalizing about 5 billion drams of money laundering.

Former Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Armen Gevorgyan during 2004-2018, using his official position has legalized revenues obtained through criminal means of particularly large amount 4,921,302,379 AMD.

During 2002-2018, the sum of the legal incomes of Armen Gevorgyan's and persons affiliated with him made a total of 743,458,821 AMD, while in the name of the latters in the same period was registered Armen Gevorgyan's de facto property ownership of 39 units of real estate in the city of Yerevan, in the regions of the Republic of Armenia. The total cost of his ownerships exceeds of the above-mentioned amount. Armen Gorgyan, abusing his official position, influenced the heads of the communities of a number of regions, forcing them to register the ownership of some of the lands belonging to the communities in the name of the persons affiliated with him in violation of the current legislation.

The contract value of the mentioned real estate located in Yerevan and marzes of the Republic of Armenia is fixed 751,268,208 AMD, while the average market value of the same real estate at the moment of the transaction exceeds more than six times the mentioned value – it is more than 4,843,530,000 AMD. The total market value of 10 units of real estate in the Czech Republic in name of persons affiliated with Armen Gevorgyan was equal to 920,000 USD, equivalent to 391,920,000 AMD.

Both in the Republic of Armenia and in the Czech Republic, persons affiliated with Armen Gevorgyan have established a number of companies in whose name real estate has been registered. In addition, these individuals circulated cash through banking transactions, but the ratio of both the market value of the purchased real estate and the circulated cash was significantly different from the legal income they received.

The sum of the market value of all real estate exceeds the legal income received by Armen Gevorgyan and his affiliates. As a result of unlawful actions carried out while he held key positions in the Government through several transactions he concealed the criminal origin of money laundered and he registered the mentioned real estates on his relatives and companions as well as by hiding the real values paid for their purchase, he legalized (laundered) 4,100,071,179 AMD and 9 920,000 USD which is equivalent to 391,920,000 AMD.

In addition Armen Gevorgyan in order to conceal, distort the origin of criminally obtained cash, as well as present it as legal income after circulating it as a result of various banking transactions, circulated it in the personal bank accounts of affiliated persons and companies and registered in their name. In fact, Armen Gevorgyan criminally received and legalized a total of 4,921,302,379 AMD, for which the latter was charged with Article 190, Part 3, Clauses 1 and 3 of the RA Criminal Code.

In the framework of the criminal case No. 62202608, factual data were obtained that RMI ENERGY, VAL ENERGO, HIUI LLC, which operate in the field of hydropower and hotel

services, were actually founded and belong to the former RA Deputy Prime Minister Armen. Gevorgyan. Armen Gevorgyan used his authority to build small hydropower plants in Lernadzor and Karahunj communities of Syunik marz of the Republic of Armenia. In order to acquire small hydropower plants in the communities of Lernadzor and Karahunj of the Tavush marz of the Republic of Armenia, Armen Gevorgyan used his authority to influence the heads of the mentioned communities by forcing them to violate the law. And to rent the community lands to the mentioned companies.

# 2006-2016 They ownership registered in the name of persons affiliated with Armen Gevorgyan

- •Yerevan, Teryan str. 66 building, apartment No. 71
- Yerevan, Teryan str. 66 building, parking lots 35,37,43,50
- Yerevan, Teryan str. 66 building, Areas of Public Importance No. 1 and 2
- Yerevan, Northern Avenue str, building 3, apartment No. 40
- Yerevan, Northern Avenue str. building 3, apartment No. 41
- Yerevan, Northern Avenue str. building 3, apartment No. 42
- Yerevan, Northern Avenue str. building 3, parking lots 95,96,97,98,103,104
- Yerevan, Abovyan str. building 8, apartment 22
- Yerevan, Abovyan str. building 8, parking lot No. 4
- Yerevan, Kievyan str. 14/3, apartment No. 60
- Yerevan, Kievyan str. 14/3, parking lots 3
- Yerevan, Old Yerevan str, building 2, apartment No. 10 and parking lot No 92
- RA, Kotayk region, community of Karashamb str. 6th street, land plot No. 2/1
- RA, Kotayk region, community Karashamb Amaranotcayin str 6th land plot No. 4/1
- RA, Kotayk region, community Karashamb 7th str, 1st alley, land plot No 1/1,
- RA Kotayk region, community Karashamb 14th str. land plot No 13
- RA Kotayk region, community Karashamb 14th str. land plot No 14
- RA Kotayk region, Agricultural land plots of 8.3 ha, 1.62 ha of Nor Geghi
- RA Kotayk region, Nor Artamet I land plots 7.4 ha and 3.8 ha
- RA, Tsakhkadzor community, Tandzadbyur street, resort No. 4/40,
- RA, Tavush region, Dilijan Saralanj str/, land plot No. 26,

Taking into account that Armen Gevorgyan for years has held various state positions, including the positions of the assistant of the RA President, Assistant to the RA Prime Minister, Chief of Staff of the RA President, Secretary of the National Security Council, RA Minister of Territorial Administration, RA Prime Minister he has used his positions for his own enrichment creating schemes of money laundry.

Since 2008 by creating different companies in the Czech Republic by persons affiliated with him the former RA Deputy Prime Minister Armen Gevorgyan has circulated a total sum of about 20 million euros which significantly exceeded the legal income of Armen Gevorgyan and the persons affiliated with him. In connection with all this 16.04.2020 . Criminal case No. 62209320 was initiated under Article 308, Part 1, Article 38-308, Part 1, Article 190, Part 3, Clause 1 of the RA Criminal Code.

# Former Minister of Defense of Artsakh and Armenia

# Seyran Ohanyan

# **Biography:**



#### Military career (1994-2007)

After the first war, he was Deputy Commander of the Nagorno-Karabakh Defense Army from 1994 to 1998, commander of Armenia's 5th Army Corps from 1998 to 1999 and the Defence Minister of Nagorno-Karabakh Republic from 1999 to 2007.

In May 2007, Ohanyan was appointed Chief of the General Staff of the Armenian Armed Forces and First Deputy Minister of Defense of Armenia

After Serzh Sargsyan took office as President of Armenia, he appointed Ohanyan as Minister of Defense on 14 April 2008. During Ohanyan's time as Defence Minister, Armenian forces fought with Azerbaijan in the Four-Day War of April 2016, which was the worst outbreak of violence in Nagorno-Karabakh after the 1994 ceasefire and before the 2020 Nagorno-Karabakh war. He was dismissed from his post in October 2016.

#### Opposition politician

In February 2017, Ohanyan formed a political coalition with opposition politicians Vartan Oskanian and Raffi Hovannisian and their respective political parties to participate in the 2017 Armenian parliamentary election. The "Ohanian-Raffi-Oskanian" alliance received 32,508 votes in the 2017 election, failing to reach the 5 percent threshold required to enter parliament.

In 2019 and 2020, Ohanyan was called several times to answer the questions of the Armenian parliament's investigative committee on the Four-Day War.

# The real estate registered in the territory of the Republic of Armenia under the name of Seyran Musheghi Ohanyan:

• 19.06.2000 – RA, Kotayk region, Mrgashen community. The right of ownership is registered to agricultural land plot with cadastral code 07-046-0114-0004

• 19.05.2000- RA, Kotayk region, Mrgashen community, with the cadastral code 07-046-0114-0007, a property right has been registered to the land plot near the house.

• 02.06.2000 - RA Kotayk region, Mrgashen community, with the cadastral code 07-046-0114-0005, the right of common joint ownership is registered to a land plot of agricultural significance.

• 16.10.2003- RA Kotayk region, Mrgashen 6 street No. 18 / current address: 6 street 38 / A common joint ownership right is registered to the real estate of the residential house.

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# Property registered to Ruzanna Gurgeni Khachatryan in Armenia



• 29.09.2002 - Yerevan, Kanaker-Zeytun, Rubinyants street 1 building, apartment 1

• 04.11.2005 - Yerevan, Kentron, Nalbandyan street 98 building, property right is registered in relation to apartment No 4.

- 20.07.2004 Yerevan, Arabkir, 65 Komitas street, building 86.
- "Ruzanna Khachatryan Gourgeni" Private Entrepreneur
- "Armenian Association of Military Physicians" health NGO

Former RA Minister of Defense Seyran Ohanyan has a private house with cadastral value of 5-7 million dollars. This private house was built according to the design of the Elysee Palace in Paris, the construction started in 2016, then it was renovated for a long time, by the way, the year when Seyran Ohanyan was still the Minister of Defense. It is not clear how the minister used to build this house worthmillions dollars. However, Seyran Ohanyan states that one of the private houses in Vahagn district is not his property, but he lives there for rent. The monthly rent for private houses he owns. There is another one again luxurious and expensive located on the shore of Lake Sevan.

#### Seyran Ohanyan's private house



**Elysee Palace in Paris** 



Ruzanna Khachatryan's cash outflows and inflows exceed tens of millions. After the scandalous revelations of the National Security Service against the deputy of the National Assembly, General Manvel Grigoryan, the former Minister of Defense of the Republic of Armenia Seyran Ohanyan had started active actions. He was busy renaming the property certificates registered in his name. His wife, Ruzanna, who has always stood out with her stylishly expensive clothes, bags costing thousands of dollars, jewelry, and not lagging behind any fashion trends, is still looking for other then she and her husband traitors, homeland sellers and army robbers.

# Former Secretary of the Collective Security Treaty Organization Yuri Khachaturov



# **Biography:**

#### **Education:**

- 1969 Graduated from Tetri-Tsgharo secondary school.
- 1974 Graduated with honors from the Tbilisi Artillery Command College

• 1982 from August to 1985 June - Listener at the Command Faculty of the Military Artillery Academy after Kalinin in Leningrad.

#### **Military career**

• 1974 Commander of the Artillery of the Far East Military District Motorized Rifle Division.

• 1976-1982 Commander of a separate anti-tank artillery division n the Far Eastern Military District

• 1985-1987 - Head of the Artillery Headquarters of the Missile Troops of the Tank Division in the Military District of Belarus.

• 1987 - 1989 He served in Afghanistan as the Chief of Staff of the Missile Troops of the 5th Guards Motorized Rifle Division of the 40th Army in Afghanistan.

• 1989 Commander of a separate artillery brigade of the tank army of the military district of Belarus.

• 1992 By the order of the Minister of Defense of the Republic of Belarus was sent to Armenia in disposal of the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Armenia and was appointed the commander of the 2nd Motorized Rifle Regiment. He actively participated in the protection of the RA state border, in the hostilities in Nagorno Karabakh.

• 1992 Head of the RA Border Troops Department - Deputy Commander of the RA Armed Forces.

• 2000 by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed Deputy Minister of Defense of the Republic of Armenia.

• April 15, 2006 by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed First Deputy Minister of Defense of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Armenia

• January 31,2009 by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed Chief of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Armenia, resigning from the post of First Deputy Minister of Defense and General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Armenia

• October 3, 2016 by the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia he was appointed Secretary of the National Security Council of the Republic of Armenia

• May 14, 2017 appointed CSTO Secretary General during the informal CSTO summit in Kyrgyzstan.

# Property registered to Yuri Grigory Khachaturov in Armenia

• Aragatsotn region of RA, Yuri Khachaturov and his wife Svetlana Khachaturova have joint ownership of the agricultural land with the cadastral code 02-001-0567-0013 in Ashtarak "Red Lands" area.

• Aragatsotn region of RA, Yuri Khachaturov and Svetlana Khachaturova have joint ownership of the agricultural land with the cadastral code 02-001-0567-0011 in Ashtarak "Red Lands" area.

• 14.07.2005 RA, Yerevan, the right of ownership is registered over the garage located in the yard of 37 building, Kentron, Moskovyan street, Yerevan.

• 23.02.2006 RA city The right of ownership is registered for the garage located near the building
2b, Azatutyan Avenue, Kanaker-Zeytun, Yerevan.

#### The units of real estate alienated by Yuri Khachaturov are:

• RA city Yuri Khachaturov and Svetlana Khachaturova's joint ownership right was registered in Yerevan, Kentron, 98 Nalbandyan street, building No. 9, which was alienated to his son Igor Yuri Khachaturov.

• 22.09.2003 RA city the right of ownership was registered in Yerevan, Kanaker-Zeytun, Azatutyan Avenue 2b, building 9.10, which was alienated on January 21, 2008 to Tigran Sasha Bisharyan and Arhat Haykaram Mkhitaryan.

• March 29, 2003 RA, Yerevan, 37 Moskovyan street, building 28, the common joint ownership right of Yuri Khachaturov and Svetlana Khachaturova was registered, which was alienated on March 16, 200 to their son Grigory Yuri Khachaturov.

• December 12, 2001 RA, Yerevan, Yuri Khachaturov and Svetlana Khachaturova's joint ownership right was registered in connection with the garage No. 1 of the building N 98, Nalbandyan Street, Yerevan, which was alienated on 18.06.2011 to Goharik Yuri Minasyan.

• 08.07.2002 RA ,Yerevan, the joint ownership right of Yuri Khachaturov, Svetlana Khachaturova, Denis Khachaturov, Grigory Khachaturov and Igor Khachaturov was registered in Yerevan, 54/6 Sarkavag building, apartment No. 4, which was alienated on 18.02.2003. Angela L Mikael Astvatsaturyan.

# The real estate units registered to Svetlana Khachaturova and later alienated



• 16.06.2003 RA, Yerevan, Tumanyan street 21 building, area 1/7, was alienated on 15.04.2013 to Tigranuhi Rafik Tigranyan.

The following companies were registered for the mentioned real estate:

- 1. The lease right of "Saturn Set" LLC.
- 2. The lease right of "Art-Wine" CJSC.

3.A / D Buy Harutyunyan's lease right. The contract was terminated on 23.04.2007. by agreement.

4. The right to lease "Zantia" LLC. The contract was terminated on March 10, 2009by agreement.

5. The lease right of "Rudy Toys" LLC. The contract was terminated on 27.08.2012 based on a joint application.

6. The lease right of "Timeless" LLC. The contract was terminated on 27.08.2012based on a joint application.

• 09.11.2012 RA, Yerevan, 82 and 84 Arami buildings, garage No. 56, was alienated on 10.10.2014 to Denis Yuri Khachaturov.

• 16.06.2003 RA, Yerevan, Tumanyan 21 building area /1012878/ was alienated on 16.12.2003 to Clara Iritsyan

# Real estate registered to Grigory Yuri Khachaturov



• 16.03.2004 RA, Yerevan, 37 Moskovyan street, building number 28, apartment

• 17.08.2016 RA Lori region, c. Vanadzor, Nzhdeh street 2 building, apartment 10

#### Real estate registered to Igor Yuri Khachaturov:



• 29.08.2012 RA Yerevan, 16 Azatutyan Avenue, building 82, the ownership right is registered. The lease right of "Marley" LLC is registered for the mentioned real estate.

• 29.08.2012 RA city Yerevan, 16 Azatutyan Avenue, building 83, the ownership right is registered. The lease right of "Marley" LLC is registered for the real estate of the mentioned address.

• 27.04.2017 RA, Yerevan16 Azatutyan Avenue, building 86, the ownership right is registered.
• 26.12.2006 RA, Yerevan, 16 Azatutyan Avenue, building 87, the ownership right was registered, which was alienated on 06.04.2017.

• 24.07.2014 RA city Yerevan, Kentron, Nalbandyan street, building 98, the ownership right is registered.

• 17.01.2013 RA city Yerevan, Kentron, 98 Nalbandyan street, building 13, apartment-basement, the right of ownership is registered.

• 01.12.2003 Kotayk Marz of the Republic of Armenia, the right of ownership is registered garden No. 4 in the 23rd district.

Yuri Khachaturov, who has been the Chief of the General Staff of the RA Armed Forces since 2009, submitted only the 2014 and 2015 income and property declarations to the Ethics Committee of high-ranking officials, while the requirement to submit a RA Law on Public Service declaration came into force earlier. Accordingly, Yuri Khachaturov has not submitted a declaration for at least a few years (for example, Serzh Sargsyan and Hovik Abrahamyan have declared their income and property since 2011). Both declarations submitted by Yuri Khachaturov mention only the information about his money and income to the 2014 and 2015, from which it becomes clear that in 2014 he had 6 thousand euros, 12 000 USD and 4 000 000 drams, and in 2015 7 000 euros, 16 000 USD and 5 000 000 drams, and the only income was the salary - about 12 000 000 drams (per year)- which equals to 24 000 USD per year.

The name of Yuri Khachaturow and his family is connected with the "Eife" billiard-club located in the Arabkir administrative district of the capital, about which the press publications have not been denied by Khachaturov so far. We found out that "Efe" billiard club belongs to "Efe" Limited Liability Company, the only founder of which, Petros Julfayan, founded it in 2007, when he was only 22 years old.!!!!!.

