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Gorilla and Parimatch. Two domains have been blocked – what did PlayCity provide to the SBU and the BEB?

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Gorilla’s licence, two blocked domains and a redirect to Parik24. What has PlayCity confirmed, and what documents are required to establish a link with Parimatch?



Editorial photomontage. Oleksiy Tomashuk – acting head of PlayCity. Serhiy Portnov previously managed Parimatch’s operational activities.

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GORILLABET LLC holds an online casino licence. Meanwhile, PlayCity has ordered that access to two other addresses bearing the name Gorilla be restricted. On 10 November, it emerged that the agency had asked the SBU and the BEB to investigate a possible link between the websites and Parimatch. We're looking into when the licence expires and what can be established from the digital trail. [1][2][3]

What did PlayCity provide to the SBU and the BEB?

On 10 November 2026, 'Telegraf' published PlayCity's response to its enquiry. The agency reported that it had forwarded the information set out by the journalists to the SBU and the Economic Security Bureau, requesting that they investigate it. The matter concerned the possible use of the infrastructure of 'GORILLABET' LLC to operate the Parik24 websites and circumvent sanctions. As of 15 November, the editorial team had not found any public statement from the SBU or the Economic Security Bureau regarding the outcome of the investigation or the reference number of the case opened in response to this enquiry. [1][4]

The licence and the two blocked addresses

The KRAIL register lists 'GORILLABET' LLC, EGRPOU code 45300713, the GORILLA brand and the domain `gorilla.ua`. The basis for issuing the licence is Decision No. 417 of 27 August 2024. PlayCity also clarified that the company did not hold a separate licence to provide gambling services. An online casino operator's licence and a service provider's authorisation are different documents. [1] [2]

Address	What has been recorded
`gorilla.ua`	Listed in the KRAIL register in the licence entry for 'GORILLABET' LLC.
`gorilla-kliche.co.ua`	Access restricted pursuant to PlayCity Decision No. 193-R of 20 May 2026.
`casinogorilla.co.ua`	Access restricted pursuant to PlayCity Decision No. 467-R of 4 November 2026.

According to PlayCity's response, the latter two addresses provided access to gambling without the appropriate licence. The public response specifies which websites have been restricted. The question of the operator of each address and its connection to the licence holder requires separate

documentation. [1][2][3][5]

Redirect to Parik24 and similarities in the code

‘Telegraf’ described the redirection of users from websites linked by journalists to Gorilla, to Parik24. StopCor reported matching hashes for individual JavaScript files on websites that the publication attributes to Gorilla and Parimatch. In March 2023, Decree No. 145/2023 brought the NSDC’s sanctions decision into force. To assess the theory regarding the circumvention of sanctions, it is important to cross-reference specific legal entities and the dates of their actions. [1][6][7][8]

If two files have the same cryptographic hash, this is grounds to verify their origin. The same file may be part of a general contractor’s package, used under licence, or simply copied. The redirect shows where the browser sent the user at the time of verification. To determine who profited from this redirect, data is required on who managed the routing, who had a contract with the payment provider, and into whose account the funds were credited.

What is known about the owner and representatives of the parties

According to the Unified State Register, the details for ‘GORILLABET’ LLC state **Andriy Mykolayovych Rindyug** as director, sole shareholder and ultimate beneficial owner. This is information about the Ukrainian licence holder. To attribute Parik24 or the two restricted websites, information will be required regarding the domain administrators, contracts and payees. [9]

Oleksiy Tomashuk represents the regulator. The Cabinet of Ministers appointed him to act as head of PlayCity in August 2026. **Sergey Portnov** This is linked to the history of Parimatch’s management. In September, he announced his departure from its operational management and the launch of SP Ventures. Both portraits on the cover illustrate this context. PlayCity’s published response does not describe any personal actions taken by Tomashuk or Portnov in relation to the websites under investigation. [10][11][12]

Which documents might provide the answer?

The quickest way to verify this is to cross-reference the history of redirects, software licences and payment details by date. For payments, key details include the merchant’s name on the bank statement, the servicing bank or payment service provider, and the contract under which the

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revenue was paid. For the code, the build date, a list of matching files and details of who deployed the website are required. This information will make it possible to verify whether only the technology was shared, or whether commercial activities were also involved.

The editorial team was unable to find any direct public comments from Gorilla or Parimatch regarding PlayCity’s November appeal in verified sources.

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