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Alexander Marushchak. Image from the Transparency International Ukraine case file, labelled as a screenshot from a TSN video. The original quality has been retained without any artificial enhancement.

Status: The suspect

Other names: Alexander Marushchak; Marushchak, Alexander; Oleksandr Marushchak; Marushchak, Oleksandr; Oleksandr Marushchak

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Key facts

Full name	Alexander Marushchak
Search options	Alexander Marushchak; Marushchak, Alexander; Oleksandr Marushchak; Marushchak, Oleksandr; Oleksandr Marushchak
Unit	The ‘Solomonovo’ Border Guard Unit of the Chop Border Guard Detachment
Region of service	Zakarpattia Oblast; western region
Bail in the cigarette case	2 million UAH; payment confirmed in February 2026
Legal status	Suspect in the border case. Sources also describe separate criminal proceedings and a civil claim. No verdict of guilt has been reached in the cigarette case.

Head of a specific border unit

In the publications reviewed, Alexander Marushchak is identified by his position as head of the ‘Solomonovo’ border guard unit of the Chop detachment. This makes it possible to distinguish him from others with the same surname. His date of birth and patronymic, which have been reliably verified, have not been included in this profile. [1]

Unlike the former head of the entire agency, Serhiy Deineko, his official role relates to a specific unit on the western border. Transparency International Ukraine is investigating both of them in a single case alongside Roman Yakhvan. [2]

The case concerning the transport of cigarettes

In July 2026, the NABU announced the conclusion of its investigation into alleged corruption within the State Border Guard Service. The investigation links the illegal smuggling of cigarettes into the EU to payments made to officials. The press release cites 68 vehicles and at least 204,000 euros in illicit gains for the period July–November 2023. [3]

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The alleged cover-up involved foreign vehicle registrations resembling diplomatic number plates and passengers holding diplomatic passports. This scheme explains the subject of the investigation, but does not yet prove the individual role of each suspect or the manufacture of counterfeit cigarettes. [3]

A two-million bail and the defence's appeal

A court ruling dated 30 January 2026 set bail for Marushchak at 2 million hryvnias. In February, 'Ukrainska Pravda' reported that this sum had been paid, citing the High Anti-Corruption Court. The bail paid is a pre-trial measure, not a fine imposed by the court. [4]

The defence lawyer challenged the decision. 'Slovo i Dilo' reported that the Court of Appeal had scheduled a hearing on the appeal for 11 February. As the confirmed outcome of the hearing is not given in the source material used, the result of the appeal is not speculated upon here. [1]

A separate episode: Katerinich and the intermediary

A TSN investigation dated 8 May 2025 described a different story: the alleged transfer of money to SBU officer Vyacheslav Katerinich via an intermediary, Serhiy Pankush, and Marushchak's subsequent allegation of extortion. The publication linked the payments to a demand to conceal compromising information. This journalistic account relates to a separate case. [5]

The court ruling concerning the intermediary cannot be applied to Marushchak. Like the alleged extortion in one incident, it does not in itself resolve the question of his actions in another case.

The property claim and the current stage of proceedings

The YEBK profile reports on a civil claim brought by the Specialised Anti-Corruption Prosecutor's Office (SAPO) concerning a townhouse with a plot of land and a Toyota RAV4 Hybrid, purchased in 2022–2023. According to the prosecution's stated position, there were insufficient lawful earnings to cover the purchases; the proceedings were subsequently suspended due to the defendant's military service. This report does not confirm that the assets have been definitively confiscated. [6]

In November 2026, it was reported in the general border case that the defence's time to review the case materials had been limited to 16 April 2027. The civil dispute over assets and the investigation into the cigarette route have separate subjects of proof; their findings cannot be substituted for one

another. [7]

This dossier was compiled on 23 November 2026. Statuses and events are listed with the dates of the supporting publications.

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