

# Corruption:-

"A Necessary Evil?"

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## Clause 1 – To bribe another

Legalese	English translation
<ul> <li>To offer, promise or give a financial or other advantage</li> <li>Intending to induce or reward</li> <li>Improper performance of a relevant function</li> </ul>	To offer an advantage (bribe) to someone  To induce (or to reward) misconduct:  A breach of faith/trust/impartiality
<ul> <li>To offer, promise or give</li> <li>A financial or other advantage</li> <li>Knowing or believing acceptance</li> <li>Is itself improper performance</li> </ul>	To offer an advantage (bribe)  Knowing or believing  it would induce misconduct
Does not matter if person offered, promised or given the advantage is the same person who is to perform, or has performed the function     Does not matter if the advantage is offered, promised or given directly or through a third party	<ul> <li>Person bribed can be different to person doing the job</li> <li>Can bribe directly or via 3<sup>rd</sup> party</li> </ul>

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## Acme medical scanners

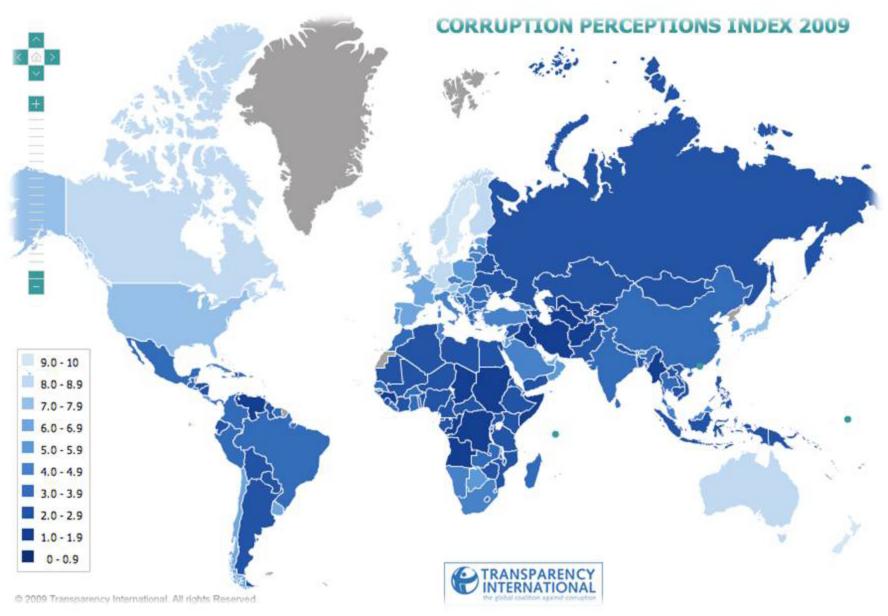


- £500,000 each to UK NHS
- 2. 20% global market share
- Export to Africa, Middle East and Karabia





## Karabia





## Our man in Karabia



Mr Wulandari



Minister of Health



## The bids

#### Acme



#### **Amtech**



#### End user prices Ex Works

£900,000 = £3.6m

€700,000 = €2.1m (£1.74m)

#### Commission

40% = £1.44 million

5%=€105,000

#### Net revenue to successful bidders

£2.16m

€1.99m (£1.64m)



## **Karabian Nights**





## Adequate procedures???

#### **Policy matters**

- Culture: Clear anti-corruption top down led culture
- Code of Ethic/Conduct
- Dynamic risk assessment/mitigation
- Gifts, facilitation, hospitality policy
- Outside advisors, intermediaries third party policies
- Political contributions & lobbyists policies
- Individual responsibility/accountability

#### **Practice matters**

- Anti-corruption training
- Practical support and assistance
- Proportionate checks & internal/external auditing
- Reporting helpline
- Rewards : positive affirment
- Appropriate & consistent disciplinary process
- How, what 3<sup>rd</sup> parties are paid/ nature and extent of services
- History of remedial action in previous cases/self reporting.

## The outcome

Acme





£10m









