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**Request for a preliminary ruling from the Lietuvos vyriausiasis administracinis teismas (Lithuania)
lodged on 13 November 2023 — M v Lietuvos bankas**

(Case C-671/23, Lietuvos bankas)

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Language of the case: Lithuanian

Referring court

Lietuvos vyriausiasis administracinis teismas

Parties to the main proceedings

Applicant: M

Defendant: Lietuvos bankas

Questions referred

1. Is Article 59 of Directive 2015/849 ⁽¹⁾ to be interpreted as precluding national legislation under which, if the competent national authority finds a number of infringements of different sets of requirements under Article 59(1)(a) to (d) of Directive 2015/849 during a single inspection, each of those infringements is considered to constitute a separate systematic infringement, and each of those infringements is subject to a separate fine taking into account the maximum fine laid down in the national law implementing Directive 2015/849?
2. Is Article 59 of Directive 2015/849 to be interpreted as precluding national legislation under which, if the competent national authority finds a number of infringements of the same set of requirements under Article 59(1)(a) to (d) of Directive 2015/849 during a single inspection, each of those infringements is considered to constitute a separate systematic infringement and each of those infringements is subject to a separate fine taking into account the maximum fine laid down in the national law implementing Directive 2015/849?
3. If at least one of the above questions is answered in the affirmative, what criteria must be taken into account when determining whether an infringement under Article 59 of Directive 2015/849 is systematic?

⁽¹⁾ Directive (EU) 2015/849 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2015 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing, amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Directive 2005/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Directive 2006/70/EC (OJ 2015 L 141, p. 73).