



DUE DILIGENCE INVESTIGATION CASE STUDY

One of the largest mobile telecommunications operators in the world was moving towards closing an acquisition valued in excess of £100 Million in Asia. The client had completed normal due diligence utilising the services of lawyers and accountants but due to the history of corruption in the region they requested SSSI management to conduct an in depth investigation into the acquisition target.

Exhaustive enquires were undertaken by SSSI and it was soon established that the target company has originally been established utilising proceeds of crime and corruption.

Conscious that closing the deal had the potential to cause huge reputational damage to this household brand name, our client immediately withdrew from negotiations and pulled out of the deal.

Soon after this it came to light that a number of activist investors had been closely watching the process with the intention of bringing information to light that would have caused great embarrassment to our clients board of directors and possibly to resulted in legal action being brought against them.

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