

This issue of the Information Bulletin consists of the activities within the National Preventive Mechanism mandate of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) of the Republic of Azerbaijan covered the period October 01-November 30, 2023.

The Ombudsman conducted the next visit within the framework of the National Preventive Mechanism activities



The Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) of the Republic of Azerbaijan conducted visits to places where persons cannot leave on their own will without prior notification.

During the visit, a number of accused persons, including Vardanyan Ruben Karlenovich, who was arrested while being held at the Lachin border crossing point on the Azerbaijan-Armenia state border, were interviewed in private.

He did not complain about his detention conditions and said that he underwent an initial medical examination and that he did not have any health problems. He was provided with the opportunity to have phone contact with a family member, receive a parcel, access the library, and access information.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/3MUw2fg>

The situation with ensuring the rights of children with disabilities was monitored under the Ombudsman's National Preventive Mechanism mandate



The Ombudsman's National Preventive Group members carried out their next visit to Republic Special Boarding School No. 3 for children with disabilities under the Ministry of Science and Education of Azerbaijan.

The whole area of the school, including the dormitory, kitchen, and medical units, was monitored. A talk was held with the staff of the boarding facility.

During the monitoring, it was found that a number of shortages identified were eliminated in accordance with the previously given recommendations. However, some problems still remain.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/3R8mLCN>

The Ombudsman interviewed the detained persons under the National Preventive Mechanism mandate

The Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman) of Azerbaijan monitored the situation regarding the protection of the rights of detainees within the framework of the National Preventive Mechanism activities.

At the time of the monitoring visit held in accordance with the national legislation and requirements of the UN OPCAT, Babayan Davit Klimovich, an accused person, was also interviewed in a confidential manner.

The Ombudsman interviewed Babayan Davit Klimovich individually, and the situation with his detention conditions, issues related to his treatment, and ensuring his rights as envisaged by legislation were examined.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/47oPPLO>



A visit was conducted to the Gazakh Psychiatric Hospital within the mandate of the National Preventive Mechanism of the Ombudsman

Within the National Preventive Mechanism (NPM) mandate of the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan, the members of the National Preventive Group conducted a monitoring visit to the Gazakh Psychiatric Hospital under the Ministry of Health.

During the visit conducted in line with the requirements of the OPCAT and the Constitutional Law on Ombudsman, the whole premises of the hospital, dormitory and medical rooms, canteen, and other areas were monitored. The current situation regarding the organization of medical services, nutrition, and water supply, as well as the documentation were also examined.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/3R8nkfT>

The Ombudsman's National Preventive Group conducted monitoring at Sanatorium Type Boarding School No. 10

During the "Child Rights Month-long Campaign", the National Preventive Group conducted monitoring at the Sanatorium Type Boarding School No. 10 at the initiative of Sabina Aliyeva, the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan.

During the monitoring, the canteen, bedroom, medical and psychological aid rooms, and other administrative rooms were inspected, and recommendations were made.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/4a4NTdr>

The Ombudsman's National Preventive Group conducted monitoring within the Child Rights Month-Long Campaign



Within the framework of the "Child Rights Month-Long Campaign," declared by the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan, next monitoring in state child institutions was held with the participation of the members of the Ombudsman's National Preventive Group (NPG) specializing in psychology and social work.

Confidential interviews were conducted with children in the specialized boarding school No. 4 for children with limited health capacities and the sanatorium-type boarding school No. 8 to assess the living conditions and the treatment. They were provided with extensive information about the Ombudsman's mandate and children's rights, and legal education activities were carried out.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/3GwC3v5>

The Ombudsman's National Preventive Group conducted monitoring in Sumgayit state child institutions



The National Preventiv Group of the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan conducted monitoring in the boarding-type gymnasium, a special school for children with limited health capacities, and an integrated training boarding-type gymnasium based in Sumgayit.

Within the framework of the monitoring, a meeting was held with children, and information about the rules and methods of application to the Ombudsman was provided.

At the end, talks were held with the managements of the facilities and recommendations were made for the eradication of the shortages.

For the further information see the link <https://bit.ly/3uJFoEa>
