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REGULATION (GRK) – No. 37/2024
ON THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONING OF THE OFFICE OF
THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR PROTECTION AGAINST
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, AND
GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE, AND THE FUNCTIONING OF THE
INTER-MINISTERIAL COORDINATING GROUP¹

¹ Regulation (GRK) – No. 37/2024 on the Organization and Functioning of the Office of the National Coordinator for Protection Against Domestic Violence, Violence Against women, and Gender-Based Violence, and the Functioning of the Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group, has been approved in the 241th Meeting of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, with the Decision No.03/241, dated 27.12.2024.

The Government of the Republic of Kosovo,

Pursuant to Article 93(4) of the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, in accordance with Article 13(4) of Law No. 08/L-185 on the Prevention and Protection against Domestic Violence, Violence against Women, and Gender-Based Violence (Official Gazette No. 22; 12.10.2023), and Article 8, paragraph 4, subparagraph 4.5 of Law No. 08/L-117 on the Government of the Republic of Kosovo,

Approves:

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GROUP**

**Article 1
Purpose**

This Regulation defines the duties and responsibilities, organization, and functioning of the Office of the National Coordinator for Protection against Domestic Violence, Violence against Women, and Gender-based violence, as well as the functioning of the Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group.

**Article 2
Scope**

The provisions of this Regulation apply to the employees of the Office of the National Coordinator for Protection against Domestic Violence, Violence against Women, and Gender-Based Violence (and the Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group).

**Article 3
Definitions**

The terms used in this Regulation have the same meaning as defined in the relevant Law on the Prevention and Protection against Domestic Violence, Violence against Women, and Gender-Based Violence.

Article 4
Office of the National Coordinator

1.The Office of the National Coordinator operates under the Ministry of Justice.

2.The Office functions as the Secretariat of the National Coordinator against Domestic Violence within the Department for Access to Justice, Transitional Justice, and Support for Victims of Crime.

Article 5
Duties and Responsibilities of the Office
of the National Coordinator

1. The Office of the National Coordinator provides support in:

1.1. drafting legislation on access to justice, including protection from domestic violence, violence against women, and gender-based violence;

1.2.drafting strategies, concept documents, and other policy documents for the prevention and protection against domestic violence, violence against women, and gender-based violence;

1.3. monitoring the implementation of the strategy and action plan for protection against domestic violence, violence against women, and gender-based violence;

1.4.coordinating, aligning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating policies and measures for the prevention and combating of all forms of violence, in accordance with current legislation and the Council of Europe's Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence;

1.5. organizing awareness campaigns for the prevention of violence;

1.6. coordinating the work of the National Coordinator with other institutions and local and international non-governmental organizations for protection against domestic violence, violence against women, and gender-based violence;

1.7.collecting data on cases of domestic violence, violence against women, and gender-based violence from other institutions for the purpose of analyzing and evaluating the data

1.8. budget planning for the National Coordinator;

1.9. managing the relevant database on domestic violence and violence against women, preparing and presenting periodic reports to the National Coordinator and the Inter-Institutional Coordinating Group;

1.10. collecting data and preparing periodic reports on the implementation of the National Strategy for Protection against Domestic Violence, Violence against Women, and the Action Plan;

1.11. performing other tasks as requested by the National Coordinator.

Article 6 **Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group**

1. The Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group consists of:

1.1. Office of the Prime Minister - Agency for Gender Equality, Deputy Chair;

1.2. Ministry in charge of internal affairs, member;

1.3. Ministry in charge of finance, labour and transfers, member;

1.4. Ministry in charge of justice, member;

1.5. Ministry in charge of health, member;

1.6. Ministry in charge of Education, member;

1.7. Ministry in charge of local government, member;

1.8. Deputy Minister responsible for culture, youth, and sports, member;

1.9. Kosovo Police, member;

1.10. State Prosecutor, member;

1.11. Kosovo Judicial Council, member;

1.12. Justice Academy, member;

1.13. Kosovo Shelter Coalition, member;

1.14. Office for Protection and Assistance to Victims, member;

1.15. Representative of the Center for Social Work, member.

2. The Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group is chaired by the National Coordinator.

3. Permanent members representing ministries are the deputy ministers responsible. In case of absence, they may delegate membership to a responsible cabinet officer.

4. Upon the invitation of the Chair/National Coordinator, representatives from other ministries and relevant institutions, as well as representatives of civil society organizations and strategic partners, may be invited to participate as observers, depending on the obligations arising from the National Strategy for Protection against Domestic Violence.

Article 7 Meetings

1. The Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group holds meetings at least once every three (3) months.

2. The Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group decides on the time, place, and agenda for the next meeting.

3. Meetings may be initiated by three (3) or more members of the Group.

4. In special cases, the National Coordinator may call a meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group.

5. The National Coordinator informs members of the Group in writing at least five (5) working days in advance about the time and place of the meetings, except in extraordinary cases.

6. The agenda is approved by the majority of members present at the meeting.

7. After the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the previous meeting are approved.

Article 8 Minutes of the meeting

1. Minutes are kept for every meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Group, which are approved in the following meeting.

2. The minutes are kept by the supporting Secretariat, namely the Office of the National Coordinator.

3. The minutes summarize the discussion, stating the date and location of the meeting, participants, topics discussed, and conclusions reached.

4. After approval, the minutes are signed by the National Coordinator and the Minute Taker.

Article 9
Entry into Force

This Regulation shall enter into force seven (7) days after publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo.

Albin Kurti

Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo

27 December 2024