

Further to the Article 45, and in relation with articles 29, 44 and 55 of the Law on Asylum (“The Official Gazette of the MN”, no. 45/06), the Government of Montenegro, at the session held on 31 July 2008, passed

## **THE DECREE ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE ASYLUM SEEKER, RECOGNIZED REFUGEE AND TO THE PERSON GRANTED SUBSIDIARY PROTECTION**

### **Article 1**

Person seeking asylum, recognized refugee and a person granted with subsidiary protection in accordance with the Law on Asylum, obtains financial assistance as a kind of social protection, in accordance with this Decree.

### **Article 2**

Financial assistance from Article 1 of this Decree is realised as monthly financial assistance and a one time financial assistance.

### **Article 3**

Monthly financial assistance is ensured to a recognized refugee and person granted with subsidiary protection, whose right on accommodation ceased in line with the Law on Asylum, under the condition that s/he does not have financial means and property.

The amount of the monthly financial assistance from paragraph 1 of this article is:

1) for a single person	55 EUR;
2) for two - members family	66 EUR;
3) for three members family	79.20 EUR;
4) for four members family	93.50 EUR;
5) for five members family and more	104.50 EUR.

The amount of monthly financial assistance from paragraph 2 of this article can be established at higher rate by the body in charge of social welfare, further to previously obtained opinion of the administrative body in charge of financial matters.

### **Article 4**

One time financial assistance is provided to asylum seekers, recognised refugee and to a person granted with subsidiary protection.

Person from paragraph 1 of this article receives one - time - financial assistance:

- because of special circumstances that have influence on material and health condition;
- for funeral expenses.

Funeral expenses from paragraph 2, line 2 of this article, will be covered to the person who paid the funeral expenses.

The amount of the assistance from paragraph 1 of this article is determined in line with the situation and in accordance with the material capacities of the state.

#### **Article 5**

Request for receiving the financial assistance from Articles 3 and 4 of this Decree shall be submitted to the competent Centre for social work (hereinafter: Centre).

#### **Article 6**

During the procedure for obtaining of financial assistance from articles 3 and 4 of this Decree official of the Centre shall do, *ex officio*, direct inspection of the socio-economic situation of the family and shall produce social anamnesis to be used as evidence during procedure.

The Centre will make decision based on social anamnesis from paragraph 1 of this article.

#### **Article 7**

The Centre is obliged to make decision and to deliver it not later then eight days from the day when duly prepared request is received.

The body in charge for social welfare shall make decision upon complaint against decision of the Centre within period of 15 days from the day when complaint is received.

#### **Article 8**

This Decree shall enter into force on the eighth day from its publishing in the "Official Gazette of Montenegro".

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