

GUIDELINE FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS IN LATVIA









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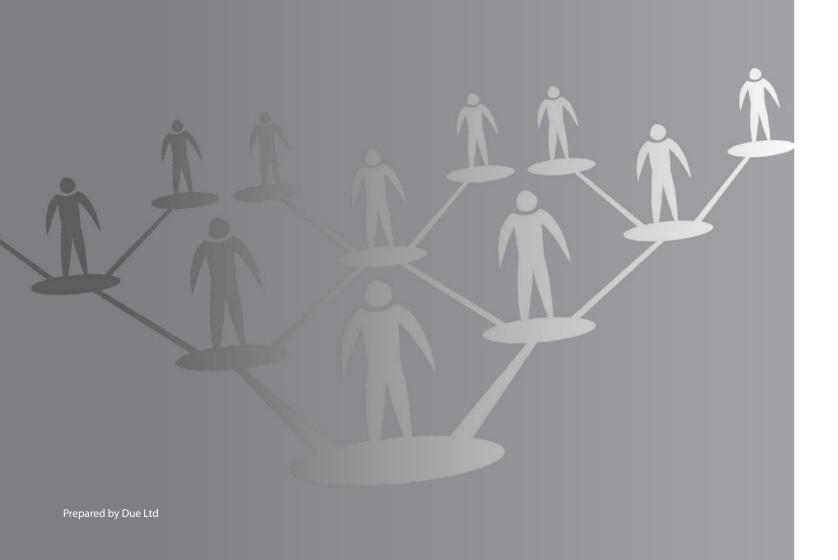
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Border Guard Centre EU SSIA

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REQUESTING FOR ASYLUM IN LATVIA



You may express a wish to receive asylum in Latvia and to submit an application by personally turning to the Border Guard:

- at the State border crossing places;
- in the transit area of an airport;
- if you already are in Latvia, at the closest territorial unit of the Border Guard.

Besides, you have the right to express your wish to receive asylum in Latvia also





at the place of

These authorities will contact with the Border Guard within three workdays, so that you could submit an application.







You may express a wish to receive asylum in Latvia in a written or oral form in the language you understand and are able to communicate in. Border quards will execute your orally expressed wish in a written form.



Remember:

after the submission of the application your asylum procedure in Latvia will be commenced – you will be an asylum seeker until the day when the final decision will be made during the examining of your application – to grant or to refuse the asylum.



If you are an unaccompanied minor (without parents or adult relatives), the State will appoint a guardian for you.

AFTER REQUESTING FOR ASYLUM



Your fingerprints will be taken, which is an integral part of the asylum procedure.







If you are not detained, a personal document of an asylum seeker will be issued to you.



Your personal identity and travel documents have to be delivered to the Border Guard until the day when the final decision regarding asylum is made - except for the case when you have any other legal grounds to stay in Latvia, for example, a valid visa or a residence permit.



A personal document of an asylum seeker will give you the right to stay in Latvia - you cannot travel to other countries with it. Your exit from Latvia during this period of time may be considered as a wish to revoke your application and your asylum procedure in Latvia may be terminated.

The Border Guard will perform negotiations with you in order to obtain information about your individual situation and circumstances. Information provided by you will be recorded in the minutes (the written record).

The information provided by you will be recorded by audio or video technological means, regarding which you will be informed separately.



Remember

that border guards have the rights:



- to perform inspection of your possessions;
- to seize objects and documents if they may have a significance in examination of the application or if they may pose a threat to the asylum seeker or those around him/her;
- if you are an unaccompanied minor asylum seeker, to perform inspection of your possessions in the presence of your representative;



• to determine expert-examinations and inspections of documents, your belongings, language knowledge and medical condition, and other expert examinations and inspections;



• to take a photograph of you.



The Border Guard will send the information provided by you to the OCMA and it will assess, which of the EU Member States will be responsible for examining your application. If it will be determined that any other EU Member State is responsible for examining your application, you will be transferred to the relevant Member State. In accordance with the legal acts of the EU, only one EU Member State will review your application.

In order to determine the responsible Member State, several circumstances of your case will be considered, such as, whether you have any family members in any of the EU Member States, whether you have already requested for asylum in any other EU Member State or stayed there, or whether any EU Member State has issued a residence permit or a visa to you, the route of your trip after departure from the country of origin etc.



If it will be acknowledged that Latvia is responsible for examining your application, the OCMA will continue the asylum procedure.



You will receive more detailed information about the criteria for determination of the responsible Member State at the moment of requesting for asylum from the Border Guard.



RIGHTS OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



When communicating in a written or oral form with authorities involved in the asylum procedure you can use a language which you understand or which can be reasonably supposed to be understandable for you. You may submit documents, regarding your application and/or the claim submitted to the court (if needed a translation will be provided).



To receive information about the progress of your asylum procedure. To receive an explanation of the decision made in your case, procedures to appeal it and of the conditions for assigning State ensured legal aid in language you understand - except the case when you have a representative or legal aid is already being ensured.

To receive State ensured legal aid in certain amount during the procedure for appealing. To invite a person for the receipt of legal aid using your own funds at any stage of the asylum procedure.



If you have a personal document of an asylum seeker and you have not received the decision of the OCMA regarding granting or refusing to grant refugee or alternative status within a time period of six months, you have the right to be employed in Latvia until the day when the final decision in your case will come into force. In order to commence labour relations, you have to turn to the Border Guard to include a notice of the rights for employment in your personal document of an asylum seeker.

RIGHTS OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



To receive medical assistance in a certain amount.





During the asylum procedure the officials will pay attention to your special needs, however, you also have the right to inform about them.

If the Border Guard or the OCMA has established that you have special procedural or reception needs, you will have the right to receive suitable and proper support for exercising your rights and fulfilment of obligations throughout the asylum procedure.



The following person may be considered as an asylum seeker, having special procedural or reception needs, for example:

- a minor:
- a person with disability;
- a victim of human trafficking;
- a person being in need of special care;
- a person who has suffered from violence.







To communicate with relatives, the **United Nations High Commissioner** for Refugees (UNHCR) or other organizations, providing legal or other type of advices to asylum seekers.



You or your representative have the right to get acquainted with the information contained in your file, except cases when disclosure of such



may prejudice the national interests of Latvia



may prejudice the safety of the persons who provide information or the safety of the persons to whom the information relates



may affect the investigatory activities of the institutions involved in the asylum procedure, which are connected with the examination of the application



OBLIGATIONS OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER





To participate in negotiations and the interview, to answer personally the questions asked and, as soon as possible, provide all information* necessary to examine the application and take a decision - also in the case if your representative is participating in the negotiations and the interview (the obligation to provide all information as soon as possible also applies to the representative)







*for example,

- regarding the documents being at your disposal;
- about your identity;
- family members;
- previous activities and previous achievements;
- regarding the reasons why the asylum has been requested.



To perform health examination in the interests of public health mandatory pulmonary radiography for diagnostics of tuberculosis and, if necessary, also to diagnose infection diseases.



OBLIGATIONS OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



ACCOMMODATION OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



If you do not have sufficient means, you may be accommodated at the Centre of an open type.

An unaccompanied minor asylum seeker may be accommodated at the Centre, in the child care institution or at the quardian appointed by the Orphan's Court. A decision regarding accommodation will be adopted by the Orphan's Court, coordinating it with the OCMA and considering the interests of the minor.

When arriving at the Centre, you have to present a personal document of an asylum seeker.



The Centre is located within the distance of 17 kilometers from Riga, the capital of Latvia. The bus No.16 goes from Riga to the Centre. Schedules of the public transportation are available at: https://saraksti.rigassatiksme.lv/







Employee of the Centre:

- will introduce you with the internal order of the Centre and fire safety rules (available in the lobby of the Centre, translated into several languages);
- will show you a room, a kitchen, where you will cook meals for yourself and your family, as well as show other premises of the Centre, hand out the access card and other necessary items;
- will introduce you with the schedules of cleaning the shared premises, according to which you will have to take care of maintaining order in these premises.











The responsibility for keeping the shared premises clean is distributed between all adult inhabitants of the Centre.

ACCOMMODATION **OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER**





Families with preschool children, are accommodated, as much as possible, in rooms equipped with WC and shower. Other asylum seekers have to use shared showers and toilets.







Living rooms in the Centre are furnished with bunk beds, closets, stools, tables as well as blankets, pillows, bedclothes (sheets, pillowcases) and dishes. Rooms for people with disabilities are furnished with single-deck beds.



The following are available at the Centre:



appliances





library



 Wi-Fi and computerized training class with an internet connection*



• gym *



• leisure area



• interior play corner and children olay ground in the territory of the Centre

* In order to use the computer room or the gym, you have to register with the responsible employee of the Centre, receiving the key for this room, which has to be returned after the work or workout.



ACCOMMODATION **OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER**



Asylum seekers, accommodated at the Centre, who have insufficient means for food, shall be entitled to receive means of support and a daily allowance - in total €3,00 per day and night for each asylum seeker (regardless of the age and family status).













In order to receive this daily allowance, you have to write a submission addressed to the OCMA. You can submit the application also to employees of the Centre.





Your duty is to inform an employee of the Centre, if you wish to leave the Centre for longer than 24 hours!

ACCOMMODATION OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



An employee of the Centre hands out the granted daily allowance to the asylum seeker once per week as an advance payment (for 7 days). In order to receive the money, a valid personal document of an asylum seeker has to be presented.



An employee of the Centre will provide the payment of the daily allowance to the asylum seeker who stays in the Centre and is under the age of 18:

- to his/her adult family member;
- to the legal representative of an unaccompanied minor.



If you stay outside of the Centre for longer than 48 hours without a permit of an employee of the Centre, the employee, by evaluating the actual circumstances of your absence, will have the rights to suspend the payment of the money for the period of your absence.





While staying in the Centre, you have the following obligations:



 to take care for cleanness and order in the living room and shared premises; to throw waste into the containers and not to leave it outside your room or in the lobby. You may receive cleaning aids at the administration of the Centre



• to take care for children, not to leave small children (0-7 years old) unattended



 to attend the interview and doctor's appointment on time



• to keep quiet between 23:00 and 7:00 o'clock



• when departing from the Centre - return all issued possessions, including keys and access cards, and leave your room clean



• to take care for the possessions given to you (bedding, dishes), which have to be returned before departure from the Centre



• not to leave the dish you are cooking without attendance and to clean the kitchen after cooking



DETENTION OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



You have to take into account that during the asylum procedure you may be detained and accommodated at the specially equipped premises of the Border Guard in Daugavpils (or Liepaja) in cases, when:

• it is necessary to ascertain or verify your identity or nationality;

 it is necessary to ascertain the facts for reasons why you requested asylum, but this can be done only by detention (for example, you crossed the State border without an obvious reason evading border controls);

• it is necessary to decide about your rights to enter Latvia;

• there are grounds for assuming that you requested asylum in Latvia in order to hinder your expulsion;

• there are grounds for assuming that you present a threat to national security or public order and safety;

• a procedure for your transfer has been initiated to the EU Member State, which is responsible for examination of your application.

Initially you may be detained for six days and nights, but pursuant to the court decision the period of detention may be prolonged for the whole period of the asylum procedure.



The Border Guard will draw up the minutes (written record) regarding your detention and will explain your rights and obligations. Before accommodation at the detention facility procedures for health examination and sanitary treatment will be performed.

ACCOMMODATION OF A DETAINED ASYLUM SEEKER



You will be accommodated at the detention facility in conformity with your fundamental rights and safety, individual traits and psychological compatibility, and also in conformity with the following conditions:



If you are a minor, you will be ensured with a possibility of education.



if you have any health disorders, you will be accommodated in premises specially equipped for such purpose



• family members will be accommodated together, except for cases if a family member has an objection



• if you are an unaccompanied minor you will be ensured with accommodation premises, in which there will be age appropriate equipment and personnel



• men and women will be accommodated separately



• if you have been declared for international search, you will be placed in premises specially equipped for such purpose for not more than 72 hours



• in certain cases, when you violate the internal order or endanger the safety of other asylum seekers, you may be placed separately in premises specially equipped for this purpose for a time period up to 10 full days

In the detention facilities the Border Guard will provide asylum seekers with food, drinking water at any time, as well as hygiene, essential items and medical assistance.



While staying at the detention facility, you have to take into account the internal rules you will be introduced to.

A minor asylum seeker will be entitled to acquire elementary education and secondary education, as well as to continue the commenced education, when majority (the age of 18) has been attained.



In Latvia education is mandatory from the age of 5 to 17, which includes child preparation for elementary education, acquisition of the elementary education or the continuation of it until attaining majority (the age of 18).



In order to enrol the minor asylum seeker in school, his/her parents or the legal representative has to submit an application to the Centre or, in case of detention, to the Border Guard.





Please, observe the rights of a child and plan his/her evening in a peaceful manner, to avoid any worries the following morning at school!



The school to be attended by the minor asylum seeker will be appointed by the Ministry of Education and Science.



Attendance of the school is mandatory, in case of unjustifiably missed classes the school can invite the guardians of the rights of children – the police or the Orphan's Court for inspection. If a child becomes ill, he/she has to turn to a doctor, in order to justify the non-attendance.



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MEDICINE





If you need any medical assistance while staying at the Centre or at the detention facility of the Border Guard, you have to contact with the employees of the institution or a nurse who will organize your health care.

You have the right to receive the State ensured:

- emergency medical assistance;
- pregnant women care and childbirth assistance;
 - dental care in case of an emergency;
- primary health care (such as consultations of a general practitioner);
- medicine and medical equipment provided for outpatient treatment; to be compensated from the means of the State budget;
 - psychiatric assistance;
 - medical support for minors;
- immediately required secondary outpatient health care;
- services in cases of dangerous infection diseases and medicinal products necessary for the treatment of tuberculosis.



If you have applied for a visit to a doctor-specialist, please, take into account that the reception hours are strictly determined - in case of a failure to appear during them you will have to apply for a doctor's visit once again, thus failing to receive assistance in a timely manner.



Emergency medical care, consultations of a general practitioner and other health care services are available to you also if you live at the place of residence chosen by you. If your health is in danger, you have to call the ambulance to the phone number 113.

PLACE OF RESIDENCE OUTSIDE OF THE CENTRE FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS



If you have not been detained, you have the right to also live outside of the Centre at the place of residence chosen by you, informing the Border Guard on that and also the OCMA in case of changing the place of residence.



For the place of your chosen residence you have to pay by your own means. While living outside of the Centre you will not receive daily allowance for the food as well as daily allowance.





SUPPORT OF THE SOCIAL WORKER

AND SOCIAL MENTOR



Both, asylum seekers as well as refugees and persons with alternative status, are entitled for the services of the social worker and social mentor.





Social workers and social mentors will be your advisors and consultants, they will encourage you and be your support providers and defenders. They will cooperate with you and your family, will help to find solutions for any issues and will help you to get accustomed to the society of Latvia.



You will be able to receive the support of social workers and social mentors during the asylum procedure. If refugee or alternative status will be granted to you, you will be able to receive this support for another 12 months.



Key tasks of the social worker and social mentor:

- to understand your needs and wishes for commencement of life in Latvia:
- to organize negotiations with you and your family members on average within 3 working days after your arrival to the Centre:
- to develop an individual plan for socio-economical inclusion, to regularly meet and discuss with you and your family members the progress of implementation of the plan;
- to help to find alternative solutions of various issues, to attract and to recommend necessary resources;
- to provide support for dealing with daily situations, helping to create understanding about the life in Latvian
- to help acquiring skills necessary for
- to establish and expand the social support network;

- to provide support for the communication with natural and legal persons;
- to provide support during the process of receipt of personal identity documents and opening of a bank account;
- to provide information on the procedure for receipt of benefits:
- to ensure accompaniment to the places, where you and/or your children will study, work or receive services;
- to ensure accompaniment to the humanitarian aid points for supply of clothing, shoes and other items;
- to ensure accompaniment for a child and parents on their way to school, to promote cooperation between you and the teachers:
- to provide support for the search of a dwelling from available resources and to help concluding a lease agreement;
- to help register with the Employment State Agency and with a general practitioner:
- to represent your interests and rights in other institutions:
- to attract interpreters for implementation of the plan on socio-economical inclusion.



The support of the social worker and social mentor will be available to both, asylum seekers who stay at the Centre, as well as asylum seekers who live outside of the Centre.



The services of the social worker and social mentor are provided under the project "Promotion of Diversity" implemented by the Society Integration Foundation. In case of any questions or uncertainties, please, contact with the Society Integration Foundation.

THE INTERVIEW



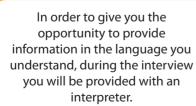
After the acceptance of your asylum application for examination, employees of the OCMA will perform the interview with you.



You will be introduced with the procedure of the interview shortly before it. Besides, you will be introduced with the person, who will participate in the interview.



The time and place of the interview will be specified in the decision regarding acceptance of your application for examination.





During the interview you will have an opportunity to provide detailed information on the reasons you have left your country of origin or the country of your previous residence and why you ask for asylum. You will be able to submit additional documents and evidence which can confirm the information provided by you. You will have the right to freely express your opinion about the circumstances of your case, but you will also have the duty to reply to the questions asked.





After the interview you will be provided with information regarding the further progress of your case, and you will also be able to ask additional questions regarding the subject you are interested in.





Your representative also has the right to participate in the interview.



If you are an unaccompanied minor asylum seeker, the interview with you will be performed in the presence of your representative.



Other representatives of the institutions involved in the asylum procedure also have the right to participate in the interview and to ask additional questions to you.



The interview with you will take place in the absence of your family members, unless it will be presumed that their presence is necessary.





The information provided by you will be recorded using audio or video technical means and you will be informed on that separately.



Scheme workdays application for examination

Decision regarding refusal to grant refugee or alternative status

An application may be submitted to the

court within 15 workdays after the day of

the decision coming into force

month

Decision regarding refusal to

grant refugee or alternative

status can be appealed to the

court within a time period of

one month from the day of its

coming into force

Examination in the court

Acquisition of refugee or alternative status

The court will adjudicate the application within three months after adoption of the decision regarding acceptance of the application and initiation of the case

Examination in the court

The court will adjudicate the application within five workdays after adoption of the decision regarding acceptance of the application and initiation of the case

Refused by the court

Application is accepted for adjudication **Exit from**

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EXAMINATION OF THE APPLICATION FOR ASYLUM months after the interview, but not month later than six months after the submission of the application. after taking the decision to after the receipt of The period of examination may documents by the OCMA accept the application for be prolonged for another 9 from the Border Guard examination months Decision regarding granting refugee or alternative status Decision regarding Personal interview the acceptance of your

*Scheme No.1 describes the examining of the application for asylum in accordance with the regular procedure.

Application

Decision regarding leaving

the application without

examining

PROCEDURE FOR APPEALING A DECISION



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You can dispute the OCMA decisions to the Administrative District Court (see Scheme No.2) according to the address of the place of your accommodation or the place of residence, or dispute to the Ministry of the Interior (see Scheme No.3).

In the end of each decision is the information regarding where and within what period of time you can dispute or appeal the decision, if you do not agree with it.



You have to submit an application addressed to the Administrative District Court to the OCMA, which will forward it, including the whole materials of your case file, to the court within one workday.



As an asylum seeker you are relieved from the payment of the application to the court.

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If you do not agree with the OCMA decision regarding:

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You may dispute it to the Administrative District Court

When disputing the decisions adopted by the OCMA to the Administrative District Court, the State ensured legal aid will be provided to the asylum seeker upon evaluating his/her financial status.

The court judgements are final and not subjects to be appealed.



PROCEDURE FOR APPEALING A DECISION

If you do not agree with the OCMA decision regarding: Scheme



prolongation of the term for examination of the application

prolongation of the term for performance of the personal interview

refusal to grant financial means and daily allowance

refusal to payout a one-off support after receipt of the status





You may dispute it to the Ministry of the Interior





You may dispute it to the Administrative District Court

* you are due to the State ensured legal aid, when disputing the decision of the Ministry of the Interior to the Administrative District Court

Scheme No.4

If you do not agree with the Border Guard's decision regarding:

Detention for



an obligation to register within a set period of time at the territorial unit of the Border Guard



You may dispute it to the head of the Border Guard



You may dispute it to the district (city) court

When disputing the decisions made by the Border Guard to the district (city) court, an asylum seeker is provided with a State ensured legal aid, without evaluating his/her financial status

* you are due to the State ensured legal aid, when disputing the decision of the Ministry of the Interior to the Administrative District Court

Decisions in your case can be adopted by the SSIA - regarding the payout of the benefit after receipt of refugee or alternative status.



STATE ENSURED LEGAL AID



In case if you do not have sufficient financial means, you have the right to request and to receive the State ensured legal aid



The State will cover legal aid within the framework of one case in the following amount:

- in the stage of extrajudicial and court proceeding legal consultation of not more than five hours:
- in the stage of extrajudicial and court proceeding for preparation of not more than five procedural documents:
- representation at the court for not more than 40 hours.

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PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING FOR THE STATE ENSURED LEGAL AID



In order to receive a legal aid you have to submit a written request - completed questionnaire, where you have to specify the information about yourself; about the decision you want to dispute; the fact that you do not have any free financial means, therefore you need the State ensured legal aid. (Ouestionnaires are translated into different languages, and you may ask to issue the questionnaire in the language which is reasonable supposed tobe understandable for you).



If you are not detained,

you have to submit the questionnaire to the OCMA, which will forward it to the Legal Aid Administration, as well as provide an interpreter for your communication with the provider of the legal aid.



When the Legal Aid Administration will assign a legal representative for you, it will inform the OCMA regarding the fact where and when his/her meeting with you will take place, in order for the OCMA to organize an interpreter for your communication.







If you are detained

you have to submit this questionnaire to the Border Guard.



You may dispute the decisions of the Border Guard regarding detention to the district (city) court. In order to dispute such decisions you are due to the State ensured legal aid and services of an interpreter for communication with a legal representative.

You may dispute the decisions of the OCMA regarding granting a status or refusal to grant a status to the Administrative District Court corresponding to the address of your detention facility. The Border Guard will organize the assignment of the provider of the State ensured legal aid on the basis of your request.

AFTER ACQUISITION OF THE STATUS

Refugee status:

 A travel document (passport) will be issued to you, which is going to be valid in all countries, except of the country of your origin

After receiving a travel document issued in Latvia you will have to submit for storage to the OCMA your personal and travel documents issued abroad which are at your disposal.

You will receive the first travel document and the residence permit free of charge.

 A permanent residence permit will be issued to you, which has to be registered every five years at the OCMA

A valid residence permit in Latvia gives you the right to employment in Latvia without any restrictions

• You shall have the right to unite with your family members who stay abroad

Family members of a refugee will be issued permanent residence permits, while family members of the person who has acquired alternative status will be issued temporary residence permits for the equal period of time as the person with alternative status.

Alternative status:

- if you cannot receive a travel document issued by your previous country of residence, a travel document (passport) will be issued to you
- a temporary residence permit will be issued to you. In order to prolong your stay in Latvia, you will have to turn to the OCMA every year one month before the expiration date of the residence permit. The OCMA will assess whether a temporary residence permit is to be issued to you repeatedly
- after you have resided in Latvia for two years you will have the right to unite with your family members who are residing abroad

• if you do not have sufficient means, you have the right to receive a support payment (one-off benefit) and a benefit for covering the expenses of your stay (benefit); a refugee has the right to receive the benefit for 10 months and a person acquiring alternative status for 7 months

In order for you to receive a one-off support and/or benefit, you have to open a personal account at any credit institution of Latvia or Latvian Postal Office.

A one-off support and/or benefit for a minor will be transferred to his/her legal representative.

In order to receive additional information or support for the preparation of the applications, you may turn to the relevant authority (also to the Centre) or to the social mentor.

The amount of a one-off support for an adult person is €278.00 and for a minor - €194.00, but if you are a husband and a wife, then the amount of the one-off support for one of you will be €278.00, but for the other €194.00, about what you have to agree between yourselves and specify that in your submissions.

This support will be paid out by the OCMA.

In order to receive a one-off support,

you have to turn to the OCMA in person

with a submission within a time period

of one month from the day when the

decision regarding granting refugee or

alternative status has been adopted.

In order to receive a benefit, you have

to turn to the SSIA with a submission

within a time period of 12 months from

the day of acquisition of refugee or

alternative status. In the submission

regarding both, receipt of a one-off

support as well as a benefit, you have to

confirm that the financial means being

at your disposal do not exceed the

amount of the minimum monthly salary

determined in Latvia per each person

for which a one-off support or a benefit

is being requested.

Amount of the benefit for an adult person is €139.00 per month, for a minor - €97.00 per month, but if you are a husband and a wife, then for one of you -€139.00 per month, for the other - € 97.00 per month, about what you have to agree between yourselves and specify that in vour submissions.

This benefit will be paid by the SSIA.

A benefit for a person from the age of 15 until the pension age determined in the country will be granted in the following cases:

- a person is employed:
- a person is unemployed, is registered with the State Employment Agency, he/ she has a status of an unemployment or a job seeker and he/she performs the duties of an unemployed person or a job seeker, including the fact that he/she gets involved in the official language acquisition programs (it is not necessary to register with the State Employment Agency if the disability of group I or II has been determined for the person or the person acquires education in an educational institution in Latvia in full-time program)

FINAL **NEGATIVE DECISION**



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If you have been refused refugee or alternative status (the OCMA or court decision, if you have disputed the OCMA decision to the court) and you do not have any other legal grounds to stay in Latvia, a removal order will be issued to you or a decision will be adopted regarding compulsory expulsion.



A term of 7 - 30 days can be determined for enforcing the removal order. You have the right to exit earlier than the term has been set in the removal order. You have the right to apply for a support from the program implemented by the International Migration Organization, in order for You to voluntary return to your home country.

USEFUL CONTACTS





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Asylum Affairs Division Interviewing Room (Patvēruma lietu nodalas intervēšanas kabinets) Stabu iela 89, Riga, LV - 1009

Centre for Asylum Seekers (Patvēruma meklētāju centrs) Mucenieki, Ropažu novads, LV-2137



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