

**To the Chairman of Public Monitoring of  
the places of keeping arrested persons  
in police of the Republic of Armenia**

Dear Mrs. Sahakyan,

The police of the Republic of Armenia in the result of current studies of the reports provided in 2013 by the Public Monitoring group of the places of keeping arrested persons in police of the Republic of Armenia, revealed that during the visits of the monitoring group the places of keeping arrested persons the deficiencies and violations on the places are not presented to the leadership of the particular police division or to the compliance officers, in the result of which the latter is not given opportunity to correct fixed deficiencies immediately, to present appropriate comments.

Such a behavior does not meet the interests of protecting the rights of arrested persons and is contrary to the purposes and principles of the Public Monitoring Group activities.

It should be noted also that the violations fixed by the monitoring group in some cases are of general nature and there is no indication of the legal acts, the requirements of which were violated by the police officers, therefore in Your current reports it is recommended to mention the relevant article or paragraph of the legal act the requirements of which has been violated along with the violations.

Taking into consideration that the main goal of the monitoring group is to detect and prevent violations of human rights in the places of keeping arrested persons, improvement of living conditions in the places of keeping arrested persons and expressing the hope that the monitoring group is consistent to its own established ethic rules (point 4.2) it is recommended in cases of detection of deficiencies and violations actively cooperate with the administration of the places of keeping arrested persons and to enable the latter to correct the detected deficiencies and violations in places, because while the Group's current accounts is discussed, the deficiencies and violations in different police units remain uncorrected for the certain period of time and do not receive urgent solution.

**The Headquarters of the RA Police**

To the Head of the Headquarters of police of the  
Republic of Armenia, major-general of police  
Mr. V. Yeghiazaryan

Dear Mr. Yeghiazaryan,

On 10.01.2014 the office of the Monitoring Group has received the letter No. 2/2-1-19 in which You have mentioned that the monitoring group does not preserve the requirements of point 4.2 of the ethic rules and that the violations fixed by the monitoring group are of general nature.

The monitoring group decides by its own how and to whom to apply, moreover the monitoring group presents the results of the visits in reporting form. The cooperation is a two-way process and the cooperation can be effective if both sides have a desire and will. From the second half of 2013 it was noted that the administration of the places of keeping arrested persons has no desire and will for cooperation and in terms of the lack of desire for cooperation, detection and solving problems and absence of the will, as well as when instead of resolution and solving of the identified problems there is a denial of the problems, there can be no question of cooperation.

As to the position mentioned in your letter that the violations fixed by the Monitoring group in some cases are of general nature and that there is no indication of the legal acts the requirements of which were violated, it should be noted that according to the Monitoring group the body which provides comments to the reports is well aware of the legal acts and there is no need to overload the letters with the mentioning of that legal acts. However, since is such a problem emerged, the monitoring group will not fail and will emphasis the applicable legal acts in the report.

Sincerely,

the Chairman of Public Monitoring  
of the places of keeping arrested persons  
in police of the Republic of Armenia

H. Sahakyan