

**Decree of the President of Georgia N534**

**1 September, 2006**

**Tbilisi**

**On the Composition and the statute of Interagency Coordinating Council on Combating Trafficking in Persons**

According to the Article 10 of Georgian law on Combating Trafficking in Persons:

1. establish the composition of Interagency Coordinating Council on Combating Trafficking in persons. (*hereinafter "Council"*);
  - a. Minister of Justice of Georgia, Chair of Coordinating Council;
  - b. Deputy Minister of Justice of Georgia, co-chair of Coordinating Council;
  - c. Minister of Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia;
  - d. Chief Prosecutor's Office of Georgia;
  - e. Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs;
  - f. Deputy Minister of Education and Science of Georgia;
  - g. Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia;
  - h. Deputy of State Minister of Georgia For Diaspora Issues;
  - i. Director of Legal Entity of Public Law State fund for Protection and Assistance of Victims and statutory victims of human trafficking;
  - j. Public Defender of Georgia;

*Georgian Presidential Decree of 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2006 N720 – III, N<sup>o</sup>163, 05.12.2006., Article.2217;*  
*Georgian Presidential Decree 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2007 - N<sup>o</sup>467 - III, N<sup>o</sup>114, 14.08.2007., Article.1265;*  
*Georgian Presidential Decree 31<sup>th</sup> of December, 2012 - N<sup>o</sup>1152 - Website, 03.01.2013.*

2. Ask participation in the work Coordinating Council:
  - a. Representatives of Majority of Georgian Parliament;
  - b. Representatives of Minority of Georgian Parliament;
  - c. Chief of Euro commission Delegation in Georgia;
  - d. Special Representative of Chief Secretary Euro Council in Georgia;
  - e. Representative of UNICEF in Georgia;
  - f. USAID mission Director in Georgia;
  - g. US Embassy political officer;
  - h. Officer International Migration Organization 's program on combating trafficking in Georgia
  - i. Chair of Non-Governmental (non-commercial) Legal Entity- Informative medical-psychological Center "Tanadgoma".

- j. Chair of Non-Governmental (non-commercial) Legal Entity – Georgian young lawyers association;
- k. Director of Non-Governmental (non-commercial) Legal Entity – Civil Development Agency;
- l. Executive Director of Non-Governmental (non-commercial) Legal Entity - Informative medical-psychological Center “Tanadgoma”
- m. Director of Non-Governmental (non-commercial) Legal Entity – Anti-Violence Network of Georgia.

*Georgian Presidential Decree of 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2006. №614 - III, №143, 19.10.2006., Article.1978*

*Georgian Presidential Decree of 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2007, №190 - III, №38, 21.03.2007., Article 438*

*Georgian Presidential Decree 12<sup>th</sup> November 2007, №627 - III, №161, 16.11.2007., Article.1777*

*Georgian Presidential Decree 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2007, №683 - III, №177 14.12.2007., Article.1952*

*Georgian Presidential Decree 31<sup>th</sup> December 2012, №1152 - Website, 03.01.2013.*

- 3. Establish attached Statute of Interagency Coordinating Council on Combating Trafficking in persons.
- 4. Abolish Presidential Decree of 18<sup>th</sup> April N267 on Composition and Statute of Interagency commission with Georgian National Security Council on Combatting trafficking in person.

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##### **Entered Amendments:**

- 1. *Georgian Presidential Decree 19<sup>th</sup> of October, 2006, №614 - III, №143, 19.10.2006., Article .1978*
- 2. *Georgian Presidential Decree 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2006 - №720 - III, №163, 05.12.2006., Article.2217*
- 3. *Georgian Presidential Decree 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2007 - №720 - III, №190 - III, №38, 21.03.2007., Article .438*
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- 7. *Georgian Presidential Decree 31<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 - №1152 - Website, 03.01.2013.*

## **Regulation of the Interagency Coordination Council Carrying out Measures against Trafficking in Persons**

### **Chapter I. General Provisions**

#### **Article 1.**

1. Interagency Coordination Council for the Carrying out Actions against Trafficking in Persons (hereinafter – the Council) is established by the Decree of the President of Georgia.
2. The Coordination Council in its actions is lead by the Constitution of Georgia, international agreements of Georgia, legal acts and sub-laws of Georgia and the present Regulation.
3. The present regulation establishes the structure, powers and rule of actions of the Coordination Council.

### **Chapter II. The Structure of the Coordination Council**

#### **Article 2.**

1. The personal composition of the Coordination Council shall be established by the Government of Georgia and approved by a decree of the President of Georgia.
2. Together with the representatives of the state agencies representatives of the relevant nongovernmental legal entities, international organizations and sources of mass information, as well as specialists and scientists of this field may also be in the composition of the Coordination Council.
3. In the activities of the Coordination Council, with the invitation of the chairman of the Coordination Council, members of the Parliament and Government, heads of the state agencies, representatives of non governmental sector and international organizations may participate.
4. Recalling of the member of the Coordination Council may be exercised based on the initiative of the President of Georgia or the organization having nominated the member.

### **Chapter III. Objectives of the Coordination Council**

#### **Article 3**

Main goals of the Coordination Council are as follows:

- a) Supporting and Coordination of activities of the respective state bodies in the field of prevention of trafficking in persons, fighting against it and protection, support and rehabilitation of (statutory) victims of trafficking in persons for the purpose of efficient implementation of their functions.
- b) Elaboration and submission for consideration to the President of Georgia of the suggestions for the efficient fight against trafficking in persons and eradication of the reasons contributing to this crime;

- c) Close cooperation with the Georgian state agencies, non governmental sector, international and local organizations working on trafficking in persons in the process of discussion of the issues related to trafficking in persons, as well as elaboration of joint suggestions for the submission to the President of Georgia;
- d) The monitoring of the situation in the field of fight against trafficking in persons.

#### **Chapter IV. The organization of the Work of the Coordination Council**

##### **Article 4.**

1. The chair of the Coordination Council, who, within the composition of the Coordination Council, is appointed by the President of Georgia, leads the work of the Coordination Council and conducts the meetings of the Coordination Council.
2. In the absence of the chair of the Coordination Council, with the delegation of power by the chair, his/her functions shall be performed by one of the members of the Coordination Council.
3. The meetings of the Coordination Council, as a rule, shall be conducted once in three months.
4. The chair of the Coordination Council may based on the need call for the meeting of the Coordination Council pre-term.
5. The secretary of the meeting of the Coordination Council shall provide for the preparation of the meeting of the Coordination Council.
6. The agenda of the Coordination Council meeting shall be approved by the chair of the Coordination Council.
7. The chair and the members of the Coordination Council are entitled to initiate an issue for discussion at the meeting of the Coordination Council.
8. The meeting of the Coordination Council is authorized to work, if more than half of the members of the Coordination Council attend its meeting.
9. Decisions of the Coordination Council are made with the simple majority of the members present at the meeting. In the case of equal division of votes, the vote of the chair of the Coordination Council is decisive.
10. The meeting of the Coordination Council shall be formalized with the minutes that shall be signed by the chair and the secretary of the Coordination Council.

##### **Article 5.**

1. The Coordination Council, for the purpose of achieving its objectives, establishes a permanent group, which shall be composed of a coordinator and experts.
2. The composition, powers and action regulation of the permanent group shall be established by the Coordination Council.
3. Within the permanent group the Coordination Council creates a mobile group and defines its composition, powers and action regulation.

**Article 6.**

Changes and amendments to the Regulation of the Coordination Council shall be made with the Decree of the President of Georgia.