

OPCAT visit to the Sopronkőhida Strict and Medium Regime Prison
13 May 2020

On 13 May the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights, who is also responsible for performing the tasks of the OPCAT National Preventive Mechanism and his staff members paid a visit to the Sopronkőhida Strict and Medium Regime Prison (hereinafter referred to as the „Institution”).



The purpose of this visit was to inspect the fulfilment of the measures taken to prevent the spread of the coronavirus infection (COVID-19) and to remedy the harmful effects of the pandemic. The visiting group examined the cell block of the Institution, the means of communication (Skype, telephone) used in lieu of visits prohibited due to the pandemic. The members of the visiting group conducted interviews with the detainees, members of the staff and the management, and reviewed the relevant documentation as well.

The visiting group consisted of the following members:

Dr. Ákos Kozma, the Commissioner for Fundamental Rights
Dr. Katalin Haraszi, lawyer
Dr. Eszter Gilányi, lawyer

The National Preventive Mechanism will prepare a report on the visit.