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### **HPC PARTIALLY ACCEPTS HIJ'S REQUEST FOR A DISCIPLINARY MEASURE AGAINST PROSECUTOR A.B.**

The High Prosecutorial Council partially accepted the request of the High Inspector of Justice for a disciplinary proceeding against the magistrate A.B., with the duty of prosecutor in the Prosecution office at the Court of First Instance of the General Jurisdiction of Shkodër, for unjustified delay in issuing the execution order for the final verdict form of criminal law.

The High Inspector of Justice has conducted a disciplinary investigation at the initiative of a complainant, who addressed the HIJ with a complaint to the magistrate, for a delay of

over 3 years in issuing the order for the execution of the criminal verdict for the complainant.

From the disciplinary investigation conducted by the High Inspector of Justice, it was found that the magistrate subject to the disciplinary investigation, as the prosecutor in charge of the office of execution of criminal verdicts, has unjustifiably delayed, for a period of 3 years and 9 months, the issuance of a procedural act in violation of legal provisions articles 462-466 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and article 49/1 of law no. 8331, dated 21.4.1998, "On the execution of

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From the disciplinary investigation, it was concluded that the actions/inactions of the magistrate constitute disciplinary violation, which harm the image of the magistrate and the trust of the public in justice. The High Inspector of Justice proposed to the High Prosecutorial Council that prosecutor A.B. be assigned the disciplinary measure "Temporary salary reduction of up to 40% for a period of up to 1 year", provided

by Article 108 of Law no. 96/2016 "On the status of judges and prosecutors in the Republic of Albania", amended, for the disciplinary violation provided for by article 102, point 1, letter "d" of law no. 96/2016 "On the status of judges and prosecutors in the Republic of Albania", as amended.

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## HIGH INSPECTOR OF JUSTICE WORK VISIT IN SWEDEN

High Inspector of Justice Mr. Artur Metani Dautllari, held meetings in the Parliament, conducted a working visit to Stockholm the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of (Kingdom of Sweden). Mr. Metani and the Foreign Affairs of Sweden, in which the HIJ delegation accompanied by the ambas- function and role of the High Inspector of sador of Albania in Sweden Mrs. Albana Justice and the contribution to strengthen-



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from Kosovo, Mrs. Aida Birinxhiku and Mr. Arbër Gashi. Mr. Metani responded to the interlocutors' interest in matters of independence of institutions and democratic developments in Albania.

At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in the meeting with the head of the department for Europe, Mrs. Cecilia Ruhström-Ruin, and the director for Southeastern Europe and EU enlargement, Mr. Björn Linderfalk, High Inspector of Justice discussed the pro-







gress of the implementation of the justice reform in Albania, paying attention to the role of the High Inspector of Justice in the system.

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**THE SPANISH EXPERIENCE ON THE EFFICIENCY OF PROCESSING COMPLAINTS IN THE HIJ**

A team of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, composed from the Unit of Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors, the Directorate of Drafting of Acts and Legal Services, the Sector of Methodology and Standards, the Sector of Archive-Protocol, the Processing of Complaints and the Sector of Information Technology, participated in a series of working sessions, with a mission of Spanish experts, on the assessment of the situation and the progress made regarding the establishment of the Quality Management Sys-







tem (QMS), to continue with a digital transformation plan, in order to process complaints in the Office of the High Inspector of Justice.

Key expert Mr. Álvaro García pointed out that the activity is part of the support of the EU4Justice project for strengthening the capacities of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice.

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sented the experience of these institutions, in order to increase the efficiency of the HIJ for processing complaints, proposing solutions and evaluating the work protocols of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice on the quality of the complaints process management and a long-term digital transformation plan.

The activity is a continuation of the experience obtained in May of this year by the High Judicial Council of Spain on the technological situation of the institution.

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### HIJ TEAM COMPLETES THE SECOND PHASE OF TRAINING ON INSPECTIONS

The Office of the High Inspector of Justice's unit of Inspectors and Assistant Inspectors completed a three-day training in Tirana, focusing on enhancing the capacity and efficiency of HIJ in conducting thematic and institutional inspections. The training was supported by the EU4Justice project. The training program emphasized the prep-

aration, execution, and analysis of institutional inspections at courts and prosecutor's offices. It was structured to combine theoretical understanding with practical skill development, fostering a collaborative environment for the conceptualization and execution of institutional inspections. The sessions were led by French magistrate ex-







pert Mr. Vincent Delbos and Romanian magistrate expert Ms. Nicoleta Rhfir and included discussions on ethical considerations for institutional inspections and disciplinary investigations.

ing out their functions in accordance with Article 194 of Law No. 115/2016 on the Governance Bodies of the Justice System, grounded in European and international best practices.

This activity represents the second phase of the training initiated in June this year with a similar focus. It is part of a broader project aimed at strengthening the capacities of HIJ inspectors and assistant inspectors in carry-

Strengthening the capacity of inspection units through continuous training aligned with European and international standards and best practices is a systematic priority of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice.



## OCTOBER OF HIJ IN NUMBER

During **October** the Office of High Inspector of Justice has administered **84 complaints, which were submitted by citizens and by institution** . High Inspector of Justice Office has performed the standard confirmation process of receiving complaints for all the new complaints submitted during **October 2024**.

Complaints against judges and prosecutors are referred to the inspectors and they are at different stages of the process such as the initial consideration, verification and the archiving together with relevant decisions

ARCHIVED	VERIFICATION	DISCIPLINARY PROCESS
<p><b>73 practices treated of which:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>41 decisions to archive following initial review, (including 6 consolidated cases)</b></li> <li><b>17 decisions to archive following verification (including 9 consolidated complaints)</b></li> </ul>	<p><b>5 verification decisions (5 complaints handled)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>4 decisions to initiate disciplinary investigation (2 judges, 2 prosecutors)</b></li> </ul>



## COMPLAINT PROCESS AT HIJ

The Office of the High Inspector of Justice continues with intensive work to confirm the complaints carried and those administered since February 1, 2020, when it was established as an institution.

To facilitate this process for interested persons, HIJ has published on the official website a special complaint form, which:

- Can be completed directly and submitted online;
- Can be downloaded, completed and sent by email to [info@ild.al](mailto:info@ild.al) or by mail at the address Boulevard "Dëshmorët e Kom-

bit", Building no.13, Tirana.

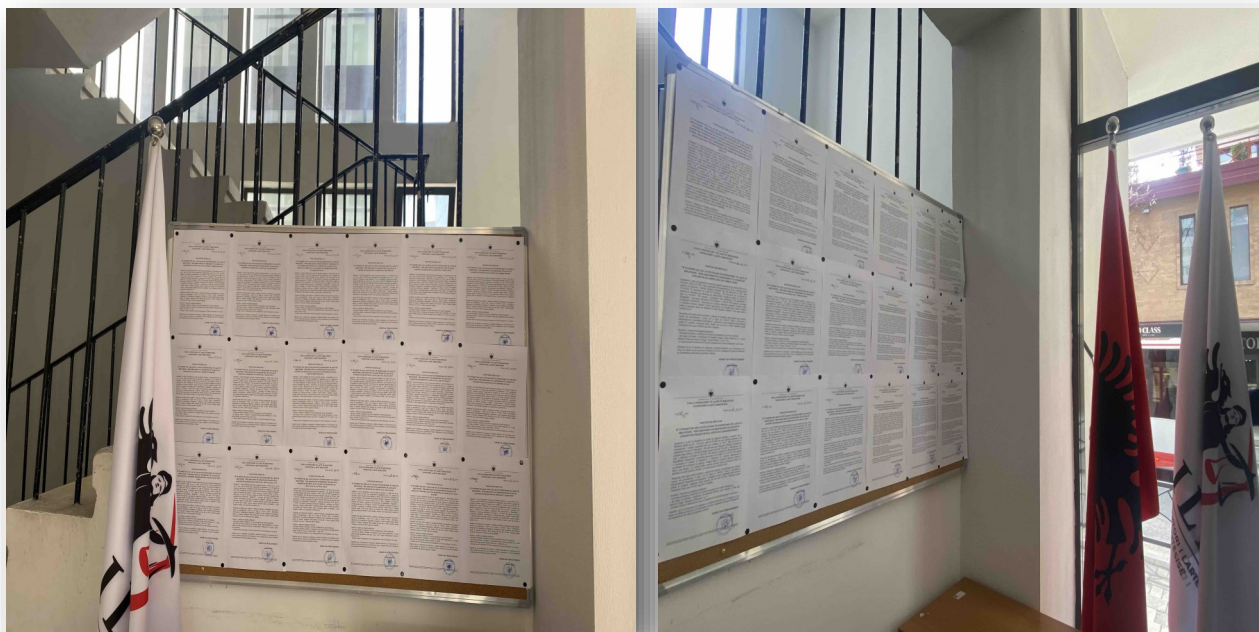
It can also be completed by presenting at the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, if necessary, to ask for assistance of the team of the Complaints Office.

Upon receipt of the complaint, the High Inspector of Justice within 5 days confirms in writing its receipt.

The criteria for the admissibility of the complaint are published on the official website of HIJ [www.ild.al](http://www.ild.al), in the section "How to receive complaints".

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF DECISIONS

Even during the month of **October 2024**, the Office of the High Inspector of Justice made public announcements of archiving decisions for **5 complainants**, who were unreachable at the addresses communicated by them. In addition to the stands of the HIJ, according to the law, these announcements are also found on our official website and posted in the stands of the municipalities where the complainants come from.



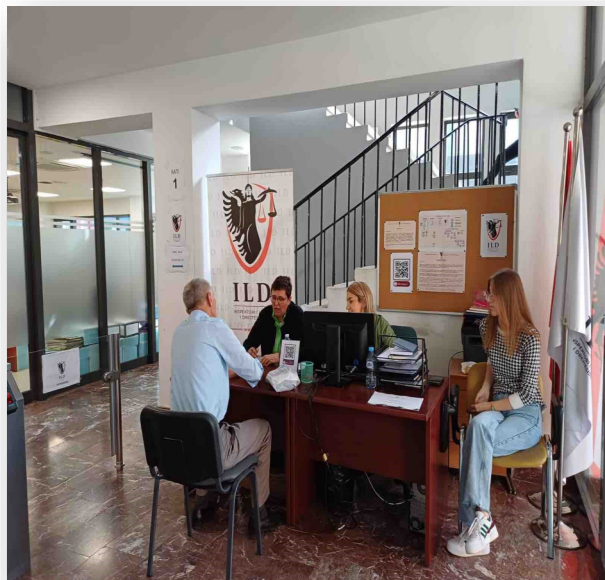


**While assisting the complainants**

The team of complaints office welcomes citizens-complainants every working day from 09:00 am to 02:00 pm, while for increased communication with interested citizens, in addition to communication through the website and official address, the Office

of the High Inspector of Justice has made available the phone number +355 4 2217217.

Coordinator for the right to information is part of this sector.





During the month of October 2024, the Complaints and Public Relations Sector :

- ⇒ received 27 complainants, who appeared at the premises of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, and
- ⇒ 17 phone calls from citizens, who requested information on the stage of their complaints or Information on completing the TIP complaint form.



## CORDINATOR FOR THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION

In accordance with the principles and rules provided for in law no. 119/2014 "On the right to information", the coordinator for the right to information in the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, enables every applicant the right to be familiar with public information, as well as communicates according to the need with the applicant regarding the processing of the request for public information.

Requests for information are filed by

citizens, legal entities, interested groups, and can be send through the "Albanian Post", e-mail at the address: [info@ild.al](mailto:info@ild.al), as well as the e-mail of the coordinator for the right to information: [amanta.jasa@ild.al](mailto:amanta.jasa@ild.al).

The information provided in the transparency program is published and continuously updated in the register of requests and responses, within the legal deadline.

## MONTHLY FIGURES

During **October 2024**, at the Office of High Inspector of Justice, **10 requests** for information were received, which were processed in all cases within 5 days (the law provides that applicants to return response within 10 days).

# HIJ ON TWITTER

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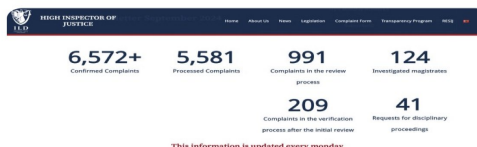
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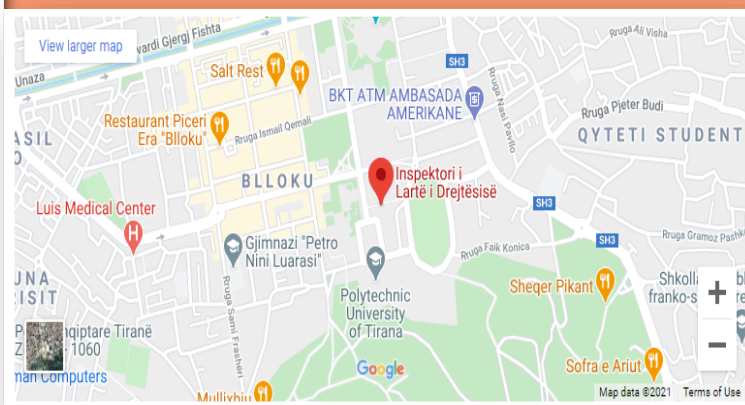


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