

Actions of the People's Advocate Institution
undertaken between February 28 and March 18, 2022

- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the Ministry of Labour and Social Solidarity, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Internal Affairs, regarding the identification of concrete measures to avoid the perpetuation of the humanitarian crisis generated by the entry into the country of a significant number of refugees from Ukraine, such as publishing, by these ministries, of a joint brochure containing timely information on the needs of citizens coming from the conflict zone.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the General Inspectorate for Immigration, the Border Police, the County Directorates for the Registration of Persons and the Emergency Situations Committees within the institutions of the Prefect of the counties concerned, regarding legal advice / mediation provided to refugees from Ukraine.
- ex officio proceeding and conduct of an investigation into the situation of Ukrainian refugees arriving at North Railway Station, Bucharest.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the Public Health Directorates from the counties on the border with Ukraine and investigation carried out at Siret customs regarding the first points where medical assistance is provided to refugees immediately after crossing the border into Romania.
- ex officio proceeding regarding the risk of spreading poliomyelitis in Romania in the context of the current influx of refugees / persons in transit in Romania, arriving from Ukraine
- ex officio proceeding on freedom of expression in the context of the war in Ukraine.
- requests addressed to the Regional Centres for Procedures and Accommodation of Asylum Seekers (Bucharest, Galați, Rădăuți, Șomcuta Mare, Giurgiu and Timișoara) regarding the observance of the rights of Ukrainian refugees who have applied for international protection in Romania, accommodated in the respective centres.
- request addressed to the General Inspectorate for Immigration regarding the observance of the rights of Ukrainian refugees who have applied for international protection in Romania
- request to the National Authority for the Protection of the Rights of the Child and Adoptions on the situation of institutionalized refugee children in Ukraine and observance of their rights
- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the General Inspectorate of the Romanian Gendarmerie regarding its mode of action in the context of the large influx of refugees arriving in Romania as a result of the armed conflict in Ukraine.
- ex officio proceeding and request to the General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Bihor County for a point of view on how to manage the situation of families with refugee minors from Ukraine.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Immigration Service of Cluj County, the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Cluj and the Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Cluj County regarding the situation of refugee children from Ukraine who arrived in Cluj County.
- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Immigration Service of Maramureş County, the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Maramureş and the Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Maramureş County regarding the situation of refugee children from Ukraine who arrived in Maramureş County.
- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Immigration Service of Sălaj County, the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Sălaj and the Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Sălaj County regarding the situation of refugee children from Ukraine who arrived in Sălaj County.
- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Immigration Service of Bistriţa-Năsăud County, to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Bistriţa-Năsăud and to the Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Bistriţa-Năsăud County regarding the situation of refugee children arriving from Ukraine in Bistriţa-Năsăud county.
- ex officio proceeding and request to the Arad County School Inspectorate for a point of view related to the information circulated in the media ("*No school or kindergarten in Arad has so far expressed its desire to help Ukrainian children.*"), as well as the request for information on measures taken to ensure the right to education for Ukrainian students.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the Romanian Border Police and the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection regarding the identity of a 14-year-old minor from Ukraine who came alone to customs and the measures ordered.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Brasov and the General Inspectorate for Immigration - Immigration Service Brasov, in order to identify the situation of the 26 institutionalized children from Ukraine who arrived in Brasov and measures to protect them.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the Immigration Office of Satu-Mare County, to the Immigration Office of Bihor County, to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Satu-Mare, to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection of Bihor, Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Satu-Mare County and the Inspectorate for Emergency Situations of Bihor County on the situation of refugees, as well as the case of a mother with two children from Ukraine who arrived in Satu-Mare County.
- ex officio proceeding and requests addressed to the City Hall of Stoenesti commune and Argeş County Council in order to identify the measures ordered by the local authorities to guarantee the rights of refugee children in Stoenesti commune, Argeş county.
- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Suceava regarding the verification of the observance of the rights of a child taken

from the Siret Border Point by the Romanian authorities, after the detention of his mother, who had an international arrest warrant, and was caught while travelling from Ukraine to Turkey.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Braşov County School Inspectorate to identify the concrete measures taken to ensure the right of refugee children to education, the evolution of the steps taken, as well as the total number of children enrolled in educational institutions in Braşov.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the National Railway Company CFR SA, Iaşi City Hall - Social Assistance Directorate, General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Iaşi, regarding the observance of rights of refugees from Ukraine, at the office located in Gara Mare Railway Station Iaşi, considering the influx of refugees arriving at Gara Mare in Iasi.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Alba-Iulia County School Inspectorate regarding the situation of 40 refugee children from Ukraine and the measures taken to ensure the right to education and equal opportunities.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection Sibiu regarding the situation of 28 Ukrainian children from a placement centre in Kyiv, who, together with the representative of the centre and two educators managed to escape from Ukraine and arrived in Sibiu.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Bucharest School Inspectorate regarding the situation of 200 children from a school in Odessa, moved to Bucharest, as well as regarding the measures taken in order to ensure the right to education and equal opportunities.

- ex officio proceeding and request addressed to the Timiş County School Inspectorate regarding the total number of refugee children assigned to schools in Timiş County, as well as regarding the measures taken in order to ensure the right to education and equal opportunities.

- meeting with Mr Özgür Derman and Patricia Ötvös, representatives of the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, attended by Ms. Renate Weber, Ombudsperson, as well as the members of the working group set up within the People's Advocate Institution for monitoring the observance of refugee rights and other staff members of the People's Advocate Institution.