

Inspection visit to the Viljandi cellblock of the Detention House of the Law Enforcement Office of the Southern Prefecture of the Police and Border Guard Board

On 19 March 2013 advisers to the Chancellor of Justice paid an unannounced visit to the Viljandi cellblock of the Detention House of the Law Enforcement Office of the Southern Prefecture of the Police and Border Guard Board. An official of the Rescue Board took part in the inspection visit as an expert.

As the result of the inspection the Chancellor of Justice makes three recommendations to the Southern Prefecture of the Police and Border Guard Board for guaranteeing fundamental human rights:

- to change the current practice of the Viljandi cellblock and to also record the health condition of the detainees who arrive from another place of detention;
- to supply the Viljandi cellblock with printouts of the legislation that regulates detention of persons and their translation into Russian or to allow persons to read printouts of this important legislation within reasonable time after the person has requested this;
- to change the lighting system in the Viljandi cellblock in such a manner that both efficiency supervision as well as undisturbed sleep of the detainees are guaranteed.