

Inspection visit to the detention facilities of Narva Police Station

Summary

The advisers of the Chancellor of Justice inspected the detention facilities of the Narva Police Station on 19 June 2017.

During the visit it became evident that the chambers of the detention block are dim, because the windows of the chambers are covered with a material that prevents natural light from getting to the chambers. The Chancellor of Justice asks that a solution be found that would allow natural light to reach the chambers via the windows.

It also became evident that there is no strolling yard in the detention block. The building has chambers with an open window where a detainee is allowed to spend an hour a day. The Chancellor of Justice finds that using a strolling chamber instead of a strolling yard can be nothing but a temporary solution in exceptional cases. In the case of the new building of the detention block the absence of a strolling yard is not possible and therefore the Chancellor of Justice requests that a strolling yard be constructed for the Narva detention block.