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Freedom of Information Law

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To
Adv. Agsteribbe
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Jerusalem

Re: Response to an application by HaMoked: Center for the Defence of the Individual to receive information under the Freedom of Information Law

1. There is no information for each separate year, the data includes information from the committee's inception to the present.
2. There is no information for each separate year, the data includes information from the committee's inception to the present.
3. There is no information for each separate year, the data includes information from the committee's inception to the present.
 - a. The circumstances for approvals cannot be provided due to the risk of infringement of privacy as well as the fact there is no available data on this issue.
 - b. Ibid.
4. No available data.
5. No Minister's decisions were made contrary to the committee's recommendation.
6. Irrelevant given the response in Art. 6 [*sic*].
7. There is no information for each separate year, the average time is about a year.
8. The committee convenes once every three weeks on average.
9. The requested data is unavailable and irrelevant.
10. There is no information on this issue.
11. Yes.
 - a. There is no procedure on this matter.
 - b. The materials are transferred to the committee members at least a week before the date of the hearing, in a manner allowing adequate preparation for the hearing.
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- a. This is not “information” as defined in the Freedom of Information Law.
 - b. The committee members were appointed according to Sect. 3a1(c) of the Law.
 - c. No such procedure exists.
 - d. This is not “information” as defined in the Freedom of Information Law.
 - e. There is no information on this matter.
13. No such procedure exists.
14. There were instances where cases were introduced not according to chronological order. A change in the order of cases depends on specific circumstances (urgent circumstances, the preparedness of the file, the completeness of required documents and so on).
15. Yes, but no less than three members, and the other members arrive at a different time and express their opinion on the applications concerned, so effectively, almost always, an application undergoes review before all committee members.
- a. No information exists on this matter.
 - b. Ibid.
 - c. No.
 - d. No.
 - e. A record of the committee’s hearings has indeed been made.

Here are the statistical data of the Humanitarian Committee:

1. Cases which have been reviewed and require completion of material – 84 applications
2. Cases which have been reviewed and await examination of the personal-background information form and a pre-approval hearing – 77 applications
3. Cases that have not been reviewed – 206 applications
4. Reviewed cases – 559 applications
5. Approved cases – 138 applications
6. Rejected application – 421 applications
7. Appeals – 27 applications
8. Total number of cases submitted to the committee – some 1,150 applications

Sincerely,

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Mali Davidian

Freedom of Information Law Supervisor

Under Section 7(F) of the Freedom of Information Law, 5758-1998, this decision may be appealed to the Court for Administrative Affairs.