**RULES ON THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT MEASURES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 35 (1), POINTS 1 AND 2 OF THE ACT ON PROTECTION OF PERSONS REPORTING OR PUBLICLY DISCLOSING INFORMATION ON BREACHES (WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT)**

The Commission for Personal Data Protection (“CPDP”) provides support measures to the persons referred to in Article 5 of the Whistleblower Protection Act, consisting of:

* 1. On the Commission’s website, in the Whistleblower Protection Act section, Support Measures subsection is inserted, which includes comprehensive and easily accessible information and advice for persons referred to in Article 5 of the Whistleblower Protection Act on:
	2. Temporary measures: Article 34a of the Whistleblower Protection Act;
	3. Exemption from liability: Article 36 of the Whistleblower Protection Act;
	4. Damages caused to private parties: Article 37 of the Whistleblower Protection Act;
	5. Option to terminate legal proceedings: Article 38 of the Whistleblower Protection Act;
	6. Protection of persons concerned: Article 39 of the Whistleblower Protection Act;
	7. The possibility to provide assistance before any authority, as needed to protect the persons referred to in Article 5 of the Whistleblower Protection Act against retaliation, including by giving proper notice of their right to protection under the Whistleblower Protection Act.
1. The notification to the whistleblower, which contains the details of the registration number and the unique identification number (UIN) of the report, informs also of the protection measures, the support measures and the means of receiving legal aid from the National Legal Aid Office; this information is in the form of three appendices constituting integral parts of the notification.
2. During working hours, any person referred to in Article 5 of the Whistleblower Protection Act, as well as any citizen, may receive, on an individual and confidential basis in a personal meeting with an officer from the ERC Directorate, comprehensive, independent, free and accessible information and advice on the procedures and the protection measures referred to in point 1. A protocol of the provision of information and advice will be drawn up, signed by the persons attending the meeting, and registered in the Report system.
3. On the Commission’s website, in the Whistleblower Protection Act section, National Legal Aid Office subsection is inserted, which includes the conditions and means of receiving support under the Whistleblower Protection Act.
4. These Rules are to be uploaded as a separate subsection in the Whistleblower Protection Act section on the CPDP website.

 6. These Rules were adopted at a CPDP meeting held on 4 June 2024.