Free movement will be restricted in the localities of the Transnistrian region in the period of April 26-May 10



According to a "decision" approved today by Tiraspol, under the pretext of ensuring security in the region, the so-called red level of security alert was introduced, with the establishment of special measures to intervene and limit the rights of citizens, for 15 calendar days. (April 26-May 10, 2022).

Among the ordered measures we observe an exaggerated and unjustified restriction of the unhindered movement of different categories of citizens, by consolidating the infrastructure of unauthorized checkpoints on the perimeter of the administrative line, halting and detailed checking of each means of transport entering / leaving the region, forcing persons traveling to the region to be registered with the structures in Tiraspol.

We note with regret that these restrictive measures were introduced 4 days after Tiraspol announced the simplification of the free movement mechanism for the Easter holidays: https://gov.md/en/content/free-movement-transnistrian-region-will-be-simplified-period-easter-holidays

We note that this approach restores the region's self-isolation regime, with the introduction of restrictions previously applied by Tiraspol during the pandemic (March 16, 2020-April 30, 2021), significant and unfair restriction on the rights and freedoms of residents on both banks, identification of a justification for illegally increasing the presence of checkpoint infrastructure in the absence of the approval of the Joint Control Commission and the imposition of various barriers to the free movement of citizens.

On this occasion, the Bureau of Reintegration Policies reiterates its essential approach on the inadmissibility of creating impediments to the safe movement of persons and means of transport, the return and sustainable maintenance of a free movement

mechanism similar to that applicable on the right bank, evacuation and removal from the Security Zone perimeter of unauthorized checkpoints/barriers, the uninterrupted fulfillment of Tiraspol's previous commitments in negotiations and the observance of the fundamental rights and freedoms of citizens, including free movement throughout the country.

