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Article 18 (a)(i) - the authorities which are competent to order protection measures and issue certificates in accordance with Article 5

The district court in relation to the injured party's permanent or present address shall be the authority competent to order protection measures. (Article 7 of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act).

The district court that examined the case is the one that, at the written request of the protected person, issues the certificate referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 606/2013. (Article 26(1) of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act).

Article 18 (a)(ii) - the authorities before which a protection measure ordered in another Member State is to be invoked and/or which are competent to enforce such a measure

A person benefiting from a protection measure ordered in a Member State of the European Union may request that protection order in Bulgarian territory be issued by Sofia City Court. (Article 23 of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act)

The authorities of the Ministry of Interior and the Public Prosecutor's Office are competent to implement such a measure.

Article 18 (a)(iii) - the authorities which are competent to effect the adjustment of protection measures in accordance with Article 11(1)

Sofia City Court is competent.

The court checks that the measure can be implemented with the means available in Bulgarian law. Where this is not possible, the court orders a substitute protection measure in accordance with Bulgarian law. (Article 24(2) of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act)

Article 18 (a)(iv) - the courts to which the application for refusal of recognition and, where applicable, enforcement is to be submitted in accordance with Article 13

Refusal to recognise or to enforce a protection measure is granted by the Sofia City Court at the request of the

person causing the risk. (Article 25 of the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act)

Article 18 (b) - the language or languages accepted for translations as referred to in Article 16(1)

Bulgaria requires that the documents be translated into Bulgarian.

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