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Finland

Which authority will help me send a claim to another EU country?

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What is the role of the assisting authority?

If you have been the victim of a deliberate, violent crime in another Member State of the European Union, you can obtain information from the State Treasury about your right to claim compensation from the criminal-damage authority in the country where the crime was committed. You can also obtain the necessary application forms from the State Treasury, as well as general guidance and information on how the application should be completed and what documents may need to be enclosed with the application.

You can submit the application to the State Treasury, which will send it and its annexes to the competent compensation authority for the place where the crime was committed.

If the compensation authority of another Member State asks you to provide additional information, the State Treasury will give you general guidance, if necessary, about how to respond to the request and transmit the additional information to the compensation authority that has requested it.

The State Treasury will also provide official assistance to the compensation authority of the other Member State by arranging an opportunity for it to consult the applicant, witnesses, experts or other individuals who are in Finland. Alternatively, the State Treasury may also consult those people itself and send the report that it produces concerning that consultation to the compensation authority.

Will this authority translate the supporting documents, if the outgoing claim needs this? If so, who pays for this?

The State Treasury takes care of translating the application and the documents enclosed with it into a language approved by the country where the crime was committed. You will not be charged any fees for translating the documents.

Are there administrative or other charges to be paid when the claim is sent abroad?

You will not be charged any fees for sending the claim.

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