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**181. DECREE CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO
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PERSONS GRANTED SUBSIDIARY PROTECTION**

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Article 1

An asylum seeker, recognized refugee or person granted subsidiary protection under the Asylum Act, shall have the right to financial assistance as a form of social protection, in line with this Decree.

Article 2

Financial assistance referred to in Article 1 of this Decree shall be on monthly basis or one-time financial assistance.

Article 3

Monthly financial assistance shall be provided to a recognized refugee and to person granted subsidiary protection whose right to accommodation ceased in line with the Asylum Act, under condition that the person does not have any finances or property.

The amount of monthly financial assistance referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be:

1)	for one person	€55
2)	for a family of two members	€66
3)	for a family of three members	€79,20
4)	for a family of four members	€93,50
5)	for a family of five or more members	€104,50

A body competent for social welfare may define a higher amount of a monthly financial assistance referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article having previously obtained opinion of a body in public administration that is competent for finances.

Article 4

One-time financial assistance shall be provided to an asylum seeker, recognized refugee and person granted subsidiary protection.

Person referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be entitled to one-time financial assistance:

- because of special circumstances that affect material and health conditions;
- for funeral expenses.

Funeral expenses referred to in item 2, paragraph 2 of this Article shall be provided to a person who paid for the expenses.

The amount of one-time financial assistance referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be determined according to the situation and in line with resources of the state.

Article 5

Application for financial assistance referred to in Articles 3 and 4 of this decree shall be submitted to the competent Centre for Social Welfare (hereinafter referred to as: the Centre).

Article 6

Authorized person from the Centre ex officio shall have a direct access to social and economic situation of a family and develop social anamnesis, which shall be used as evidence in the procedure of exercising financial assistance.

The Centre shall render a decision based on the social anamnesis referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

Article 7

The Centre shall render and deliver the decision upon the application within eight days upon the receipt of the application submitted in an orderly manner.

Authority competent for social welfare shall render a decision upon the complaint against the decision within 15 days upon receipt of the complaint.

Article 8

This decree shall enter into force on the eight day of publication in the Official Gazette of Montenegro.

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