



COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Host families will receive a compensation of 643 euros

The increase will be 282.46 euros for the reception of the first child

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Last Thursday, the Council of Ministers approved the proposal of the head of Social Affairs and Public Service, Trini Marín, a modification of the Family Fostering Service Regulations, which aims to increase the financial compensation that people or foster families receive.

It has been decided to increase this compensation because it had not been updated since 1994, when the figure was set at 360.60 euros per child or adolescent taken in, which was increased by a further 150.25 euros if the family hosted another.

With the modification, the economic compensation is linked to the Economic Threshold of Social Cohesion (LECS), which establishes that the reception of a first child is 50% of the LECS, which would currently be 643.06 euros. In addition, 20% would be added to the compensation if the host is a teenager or has the status of a disabled person. From the second or adolescent taken in, the compensation will be 30% of the LECS, which would be 385 euros more.

It should be remembered that the Qualified Law on the Rights of Children and Adolescents determines the right of people or foster families to compensation for food and education expenses, in addition to the other expenses of the child or foster, and finally for the work they carry out and the availability that comes with taking in a child.

On the other hand, the Government assumes, apart from these grants, the extraordinary expenses



► Guillem Casal at the press conference following the Council of Ministers, last Wednesday.

A 20% compensation will be added if the host is a teenager or a person with some type of disability

generated by the children or teenagers in care that are necessary for their well-being, socialization and development, such as medical and school expenses, such as the canteen. Family fostering is a measure of protection for children and adolescents between zero and 18 years of age in a situation of helplessness that offers a space within a family for as long as necessary,

while their parents recover the necessary capacities for the family reunification.

Currently, there are 29 children or teenagers in foster care, unlike those who currently live in the CRAE, which are 26 in total. For this reason, the Government spokesman, Guillem Casal, affirmed that the foster care program is working. ≡

New commemorative coins

The work corresponding to the issuance of euro coins was definitively awarded to the Council of Ministers, for a final amount of 887,567.01 euros. The work consists of the minting, making, transport, treatment, custody and distribution of this year's euro coin issue. In addition, this 2023, 70,000 two-euro commemorative coins will be minted for the «30 years of Andorra's entry into the UN», 70,000 more for the «Summer Solstice Festivals» and 6,000 collector coins from the Pont de Sant Antoni de la Graella.

Modification of the master's in education

The modification of the study plan of the master's degree in education of the University of Andorra is approved, with the aim of expanding the possibilities of training in the field of education to other universities with which the UDA does not have a collaboration agreement. This modification makes it possible to expand the training offer and respond to the variety of profiles that access the master's in education. The option to take 20 optional ECTS credits in five modalities will be added to the curriculum, such as the project management and specialized education route.



The third payer, active on September 18th

In the question period of the press conference following the Council of Ministers, the third party payer for pharmacies was asked again. The Government spokesman, Guillem Casal explained that a meeting must be held with the CASS, but it is planned that the third payer for people over 65 will be active on September 18th and on November 20th for disabled people. Casal explained that if in this period of time, the third payer works, «we will try to implement it for the whole population». ≡



► Image of Casa Lacruz.

59,000 euros for the improvement of cultural assets

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The Council of Ministers approved the awarding of subsidies intended to implement integrated conservation measures, conservation and restoration, maintenance and improvement of cultural heritage for the period 2023, for an amount of 59,088.48 euros. There are three projects that have received a subsidy. Firstly, 6,969 euros have been awarded to carry out restoration work at Casa Lacruz, in Escaldes-Engordany. This property is part of the General Inventory of Cultural Heritage, as an Inventory Property. Another subsidy has been

The grants have been established depending on each project

awarded to carry out the second phase of the comprehensive rehabilitation of the Cal Call complex, in Forn de Canillo, with a compensation of 44,477.88 euros. This asset is a set of manor houses, with era and private chapel and is part of the municipal catalog of Canillo.

The last grant concerns movable property, and provides for the inventory and graphic documentation of all the movable property of the chapel of Sant Pelegrí de Cal Call, with an amount of 4,641.60 euros.

It should be remembered that the grants have been established based on the characteristics of the project, the heritage value of the asset and the urgency of the intervention. ≡

LEGISLATION

Warning to Government for breaching data processing

The APDA opened a file for the violation of the information protection regulations

Casal justifies the situation and explains that there was no sensitive or confidential information

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The Andorran Data Protection Agency (APDA) has issued a warning against the Government of Andorra for breaching Law 29/01 of October 28th, qualified as protection of personal data, since it did not inform citizens that it would transfer personal data relating to the digital certificate to the Spanish company AC Camerfirma, SA.

Last January 5th of this year, several citizens notified the APDA that they had received an email recommending that they renew the digital certificate of the Andorran Public Administration Certification Body, issued by the Government. This was written in Spanish and signed by the Spanish commercial company AC Camerfirma SA, and this was what made the complainants distrustful.



►► Archive image of the Government administrative building.

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GUILLEM CASAL
GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN

«It was a human error. In addition, there was no sensitive or confidential information in the mail»

In addition, they explained that they wondered where the Spanish company had obtained the electronic addresses, since the relationship between the company and the Executive was not mentioned anywhere. It should be noted that the provision of data services must be regulated in a written contract that allows the agreement and content to be proven and that the data must only be processed in accordance with the instructions of the data controller and not may apply or use for a purpose other than that stated in the contract.

After carrying out investigations and the allegations made by the Government, the APDA considered that in the digital certificate requests pro-

cessed until December 31st of last year, the right had been violated to data protection, since the existence of a transfer of information abroad was not reported. The government, on the other hand, recognized that the sending of emails by the Spanish company «had no justification», since the contract did not provide for the company to contact the interested parties. In addition, he reported that the contractual relationship between the two parties no longer exists, and is not likely to produce new violations of the regulations in

the future.

So, the APDA opened an administrative file against the Government, since it was considered that Andorran data protection regulations were violated for not having informed the citizens concerned about the processing of their data, and proposed procedures and corrective measures. On April 26th, the Government presented a letter of restatement on some of the recommendations that were approved by the APDA.

The Agency, however, warned for having proven the existence of vio-

lations related to the exercise of the duty of information and suggested the adoption of disciplinary measures that correspond in accordance with the Code of Administration. In addition, he recommended to the Government the adoption of the necessary measures to correct the effects of the infringement.

For his part, the Government spokesman, Guillem Casal, the day before yesterday at the press conference after the Council of Ministers discussed the issue during questions from the media, and explained that

«a company subcontracted by the Government for do digital certification sent an email without a hidden copy to all the people or users who had certified to this company, and therefore, the company that stopped providing this service. We took into account that according to the European directive he had to notify, and he did it by email. This was not a hidden copy», and he also remarked that «it was a human error, and the Government is aware of data protection. It didn't go further, and there was no sensitive information in the mail».

the keys

1 notification of citizens to the APDA

Last January 5th, several citizens notified the Agency that they had received an email sent by a Spanish company on behalf of the Government. This was written in Spanish and the relationship with the Government was not mentioned.

2 the agency opens a file

The ADPA opened an administrative file against the Executive, since Andorran data protection regulations were violated by not informing citizens about its treatment, and, in addition, proposed corrective measures.

3 the APDA warns the Executive

The Agency warned the Government, since the existence of infrastructures related to the exercise of the duty of information was proven. In addition, he recommended the adoption of necessary measures to correct the effects of the warning.

4 government justifies itself before the media

In the press conference after the Council of Ministers, Guillem Casal explained that it was a human error, and that the Spanish company only sent an email, since it stopped providing services, without the hidden copy.

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