# What does the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer do?



# Gives advice and recommends improvements concerning the protection of human rights

The Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer gives advice with regard to human rights directly related to counter-terrorism policies and systems of related agencies, which are discussed by the National Counter-Terrorism Committee.



### Handles civil complaints related to human rights violations

The Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer handles civil complaints related to human rights violations that have derived during counter-terrorism activities.



## Conducts human rights protection activities, such as providing education for related agencies

The Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer conducts activities to promote the protection of human rights, such as providing education for public officials in related agencies conducting counter-terrorism activities.



# Recommends correction of human rights violations after reporting to the chairperson of the National Counter-Terrorism Committee

If the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer discovers human rights violation resulting from any counter-terrorism activities, he/she may report the matter to the chairperson of the National Counter-Terrorism Committee and recommend corrective measures to the heads of related agencies.



# Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer





The Act on Counter-Terrorism for the Protection of Citizens and Public Security was established to protect the lives and properties against terrorism, and to ensure national and public security.

#### The National Counter-Terrorism Committee (Chairperson: Prime Minister) will serve as the control tower that implements a total counter-terrorism system, forms the organization necessary for preventing and responding to terrorism, establishes safety measures to prevent

terrorism, and provides support for victims of

terrorism.

The Counter-Terrorism Human Rights
Protection Officer was appointed to prevent
violations of basic rights of the people in the process
of conducting counter-terrorism activities.

The Counter-Terrorism Human Rights
Protection Officer Support Team is a
national agency established to provide the CounterTerrorism Human Rights Protection Officer with the
necessary administrative and financial support in
the course of performing his/her duties.

#### Who can file civil complaints



Anyone who perceives human rights violation resulting from any counter-terrorism activities can file a complaint with the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer.

#### What are counter-terrorism activities?

- **⊘** Collecting information related to terrorism
- Managing terrorist suspects
- ✓ Managing means of terrorism, such as dangerous materials that can be used for terrorism
- ✓ Safeguarding of people, facilities and equipment
- Securing the safety of international events
- Activities to prevent and respond to terrorism, such as responses to and armed crackdown on terrorist threats

#### How to submit civil complaints



You may submit a complaint to the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer Support Team by post, e-mail or website.



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#### Handling civil complaints



## Handling of civil complaints and notification of the result within two months

If it is difficult to conclude a resolution within two months due to an unavoidable /justifiable reason, the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer will notify the complainant of the reason and of the resolution plan.

#### Recommending related agencies to take corrective measures

If the investigation of a civil complaint finds a good reason to believe that there had been human rights violation due to any counter-terrorism activity, the Counter-Terrorism Human Rights Protection Officer may report the matter to the chairperson of the National Counter-Terrorism Committee, and recommend corrective measures to the heads of related agencies.