Report on implementation of MIPAA and impact on older peoples right in Iceland to AGE Council of Aministration and Task Forces as sent by email on April 22 2015 on behalf of UN Indepedent expert report on same matters.

1. What is the role of your organization ? Do you participate in MIPAA implementation or monotoring thereof?

The Icelandic older people organisation LEB was founded in 1989. Associated members are members in 55 clubs of 60 years and older from around the island. Their members are approx 20.000 but there are approx 40.000 inhabitants 67 years and older and 60.000 that are 60 years and older.

LEB main topics are working on legislation in Althingi, the parlament of Iceland, and issues on welfare, social impact and interests concerning older inhabitants and the board represents their members towards to government, municipalities and others that have the responsibility of serving the older people in any way. LEB has an agreement with the Ministry of Welfare and works accordingly to that.

After some investigation with former board members of LEB in the years around 2010 and later there has been none participation in MIPAA implementation or monitoring thereof on behalf of LEB or any requests to LEB from the Ministry thereof.

According to the reply from the contact in the Ministry of Welfare made in June 2015 the report to UNECFE on National Follow-up to the UNECE RIS of the MIPAA from the Government of Iceland, Ministry of Welfare in October 2011 is not available in Icelandic and its not made official on the ministries website.

It was stated that the ministry had contact with LEB on several topics and especially on the project of transferring the management of all issues concerning older people from the state to the municipalites. This project has now been postponed.

As this is the case there are none information available to questions 2 to 8 in the Questionnaire.

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