

Law of Georgia

Amendments to the Criminal Procedure Code of Georgia

Article 1. The following changes shall be made to Article 332⁵ of the Criminal Procedure Code of Georgia (Legislative Herald of Georgia N31, 03.11.2009, Art. 190):

a) The heading shall have the following formulation:

“Interim regulations for court hearings until 1 January 2023”.

b) Paragraph 1 shall have the following formulation:

“1. Until 1 January 2023, in case of pandemic or/and epidemic situations posing grave threat to public health, with the decision of the court, the hearings under criminal procedure legislation of Georgia may be held remotely, using electronic means of communication, if:

a) the accused/convicted/acquitted person consents;

b) detention has been applied against the accused as a measure of restraint, a convicted person has been sentenced to imprisonment, or/and the public interest of solving a crime and criminal prosecution may be impaired without holding the hearing under such conditions.”

Article 2. This law comes into force upon publication.

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