

## EFTA COURT

### **Request for an Advisory Opinion from the EFTA Court by Verwaltungsgerichtshof des Fürstentums Liechtenstein received 26 April 2024 in the case of AA**

**(Case E-7/24)**

A request has been made to the EFTA Court, dated 15 March 2024, from the Administrative Court of the Principality of Liechtenstein (*Verwaltungsgerichtshof des Fürstentums Liechtenstein*), which was received at the Court Registry on 26 April 2024, for an Advisory Opinion in the case of AA on the following questions:

**1. Must Article 1(1) of Directive (EU) 2015/849 and point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 30(5) of Directive (EU) 2015/849 in the original version be interpreted as meaning that an inspection of the register of beneficial owners by a private person whose only connection with money laundering, terrorist financing and associated predicate offences consists in the fact that their financial interests were harmed by a predicate offence is not necessary and thus not proportionate in order to combat money laundering, predicate offences to money laundering and terrorist financing?**

**2. If Question 1 is answered in the negative:**

**Must point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 30(5) of Directive (EU) 2015/849 in the original version be interpreted as meaning that a private person whose only connection with money laundering, terrorist financing and associated predicate offences consists in the fact that their financial interests were harmed by a predicate offence does not have a legitimate interest in inspecting the register of beneficial owners?**

**3. If Question 2 is answered in the negative:**

**Must point (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 30(5) of Directive (EU) 2015/849 in the original version be interpreted as meaning that a substantiation of a legitimate interest is necessary but also sufficient?**