Administrative or criminal liability will be imposed for violation of anti-epidemic, sanitary-hygienic and quarantine regimes

According to the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On Amendments to the Code of Administrative Offenses of the Republic of Azerbaijan”, dated 17 March 2020, new articles have been added to the Code of Administrative Offenses for violation of anti-epidemic, sanitary-hygienic and quarantine regimes. Thus, according to Article 211 of the Code of Administrative Offenses, for violation of the anti-epidemic regime, sanitary-hygienic and quarantine regimes:

- individuals will be fined in the amount from one hundred up to two hundred manats, officials in the amount from one thousand five hundred up to two thousand manats, or depending on the circumstances of the case, taking into account the identity of the violator, administrative detention for up to one month may be applied,
- legal entities will be fined in the amount from two thousand up to five thousand manats.
Also, according to Article 388-1 of the Code of Administrative Offenses, for placement of information or failure to prevent publication of information the dissemination of which is prohibited, in particular:

- for allowing placement in the information resources or information-telecommunications network of the information the dissemination of which is prohibited by the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On information, informatization and protection of information",
- for failure to take measures established by the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan "On information, informatization and protection of information" in connection with the seizure of information, the dissemination of which is prohibited in the internet information resources,

owners of the internet information resources and domain names along with users of the information-telecommunications network will bear liability in the following form:

- individuals shall be fined in the amount from five hundred up to one thousand manats, officials in the amount of one thousand to one thousand five hundred manats, or administrative detention for a period of up to one month shall be applied depending on the circumstances of the case,
- legal entities shall be fined in the amount of one thousand five hundred to two thousand manats.

It should be noted that the following information has been added to the list of information prohibited for dissemination on the internet information resources or information-telecommunications network in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On Amendments to the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On Information, Informatization and Information Protection”, dated 17 March 2020:

- false information threatening to harm human life and health, causing significant property damage, mass violation of public safety, disruption of life support facilities, financial, transport, communications, industrial, energy and social infrastructure facilities or leading to other socially dangerous consequences.

According to the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan” dated 17 March 2020, where the violation of anti-epidemic, sanitary-hygienic or quarantine regimes causes the spread of diseases or poses a real threat to the spread of diseases, such violation

- is punished by the penalty at the rate from two thousand five hundred up to five thousand manats or restriction of freedom for the term up to three years or imprisonment for the term up to three years.

Where the same actions cause death or other serious consequences due to negligence, such violation

- is punished by imprisonment for the term from three up to five years.