

## **Explanation of Federal Ministry of Finance guidelines dated 18 January 2021 regarding special payments in response to the coronavirus pandemic**

To mitigate additional financial needs resulting from the coronavirus pandemic, non-Jewish victims of National Socialist persecution may receive special assistance (a total of two one-time payments of €1,200 – one in 2021 and one in 2022).

To receive such assistance, applicants must have already received a one-time payment under the “Federal government guidelines on payments to non-Jewish victims of persecution to compensate for individual hardships within the context of restitution” (which were adopted on 26 August 1981 and amended on 7 March 1988). **This notice does not apply to persons who receive ongoing payments.**

The special payment is granted only upon application.

Effective immediately, applications may be sent by letter (no specific form required) to:

**Federal Ministry of Finance  
Bonn office  
Division V B 3  
PO Box 13 08  
53003 Bonn  
Germany**

Applications must contain the applicant’s **name, place of birth and date of birth**. Applications should also include the **case number and date** (if known) of the one-time payment received under the 1981/1988 guidelines cited above. A **copy of a valid identity document** and a **current official life certificate** must also be enclosed with the application; these documents must be **notarised** if the applicant does not live in Germany. Applications that include **bank account details** can be processed more quickly.

Applications must be submitted by no later than 31 December 2022.