

Newsletter Promo-LEX

*“Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value.”
Albert Einstein*

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Young People in Dubasari Promote Human Rights Through Intellectual Games



On 23-26 April 2013, the Mihai Eminescu Lyceum in the village of Corjova, raion Dubasari (Transnistrian region), organized a series of activities to promote human rights. On 23 April, a training workshop was organized on the topic: "Human Rights - Basic Concepts". During the workshop, 24 young people from senior classes were trained on the basic concepts and principles of human rights as well as on the classification of human rights. The young participants also learned more about the rights provided in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the European Convention on Human Rights.

On the next two days, on 25 and 26 April, young people from Corjova were involved in less usual activities to learn and promote human rights, and namely in intellectual games. Divided into three teams, the participants played the games of "Brain Ring" and "Match". It should be noted that the moderators used both general knowledge questions and thematic questions of human rights during the games, thus facilitating a better learning of the concepts of human rights.

Most importantly, all activities were organized and moderated by a group of young people from Corjova that had previously gone through a Training of Trainers course "Learning to Teach Human Rights through Intellectual Games", which was organized by Promo-LEX Association in partnership with the Moldovan Intellectual Games Club and with financial support from the U.S. Embassy in Chisinau. The young people who attended the Training of Trainers course thus become multipliers in the field of human rights and intellectual games.

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The position of Non-Governmental Organizations on the tense situation in the Security Zone

We, the representatives of civil society of the Republic of Moldova, note that the acceleration of European Union – Republic of Moldova dialogue, under the perspective of the latter's accession to the European economic space, the liberalization of the visa regime and the modernization of the state of Republic of Moldova were followed by the premeditated aggravation of the situation in the Eastern districts of the Republic of Moldova.

The naming of a “special representative for Transnistria” by Russian President Putin, the abusive militarization of the region under the guise of “peacekeeping” operations, the killing of the Moldovan citizen Vadim Pisari by the Russian peacekeeper, the subsequent refusal of Russian authorities to efficiently investigate this murder and the continuation of support for this xenophobic and authoritarian regime by Russia are just some of the elements of the destructive policies at play in direct regard to the Republic of Moldova, as well as against the fundamental rights and freedoms of its citizens.

We regard recent events in the Security Zone, and especially in Bender, as part of a destabilizing scenario. The purpose of these tensions and of the destabilizing situation aren't very clear, yet are interpretable. They could represent the wishes of internal and external forces to eliminate the legitimate presence of some constitutional structures from Bender, and can range to the occupation of

certain localities in the East of the country, which are still under the control and jurisdiction of the constitutional central government of Chisinau. We believe that, especially in view of the EU Summit of Vilnius, certain provocations could be started, with the participation of separatist and paramilitary troops, as well as the Russian military forces also present in the Security Zone, which would subdue and bound other localities of the Dubasari district. Therefore, a “Cypriot scenario” could be imposed, even a worse one in the case of the Republic of Moldova.

We are shocked and disappointed to observe how the political representatives of the Republic of Moldova, with the exception of a few directly involved institutions, are totally irresponsible in regards to the territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova and, more so, to the massive, systematic and brutal violations of human rights, including those against their own citizens. The regime to the left of the Dniester River and those who stand behind them are profiting fully by the lack or responsibility, incompetence and, often times, the corruption of the political elite from the Republic of Moldova.

We alert the representatives of the diplomatic corps accredited in the Republic of Moldova and those of the OSCE mission of the rising risk of these violent provocations with extremely grave consequences.

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The Ministry of Interior To Pay Moral Damages for Illegal Provision of Personal Data to the Separatist Administration

On 23 April 2013, the district Court Centru in Chisinau pronounced a judgment on the case filed by Vitalie Eriomenco and members of his family against the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the National Center for Personal Data Protection of the Republic of Moldova, and police Colonel Gheorghe Tretiacov, on the violation of the Law on the protection of personal data.

The court stated an infringement of Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and of the Law on the protection of personal data by an unlawful disclosure of personal data of the Eriomenco family to the illegal administration in Tiraspol.

The court ordered the Ministry of Internal Affairs to pay to applicant Vitalie Eriomenco and members of his family moral damages in the amount of 32 000 lei for each person for the infringement of Art. 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

Recall that, by order of police Colonel Gheorghe Tretiacov, personal data of six persons, including Vitalie Eriomenco, who was illegally deprived of freedom by the Tiraspol regime, were made available to certain institutions of the separatist administration. See more details on the case [here](#) and [here](#).

In Transnistria, the most violated rights are those of the workers

This is the conclusion reached at the Media Club, organized by "Media Center" on April 30, 2013.

The Transnistrian official responsible for human rights, who attended the meeting, confirmed that quite a lot of complaints received from citizens, have to deal with employment: unfair dismissal, the realization of the right to receive remuneration and to be paid sick leaves.

Entire article: <http://mediacenter.hostink.ru/informacia/426-v-pridnestrove-chasche-vsego-narushayutsya-prava-trudyaschihsya.html>



Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections urges MPs not to use the electoral system as a trade-off within political negotiations

Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections is deeply concerned about political situation in the country and demands the members of parliament not to use recent amendments to the electoral system as a trade-off within political negotiations. The recent change of electoral system, undertaken in a record short timeframe and without consultations with stakeholders concerned, is followed by a new initiative in the electoral field. The authors of the law, a group of communist MPs, submitted to the Permanent Bureau of the Parliament a draft law which seeks to abrogate the legislation on the mixed electoral system and to change the electoral threshold – from 4% as it is now to 7% for political parties; from 7% to 9% for the electoral blocks consisting of two political parties, and from 9% to 11% for the electoral blocks consisting of three and more political parties.

The subsequent adoption of the bill will severely limit the rights of voters and of electoral contestants. Thus, the change of the electoral threshold may eventually lead to the exclusion from the political life of many political parties for which citizens cast their votes. In this regard, the Venice Commission recommended in 2008 to lower threshold for political parties from 6% to 4% in order to not lose the votes in the redistribution process.

The Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections, notes with regret that the situation of instability in the Moldovan Parliament and the incapacity to form a stable majority, as well as promotion of narrow party interests of certain political actors, jeopardizes the national interests of the Republic of Moldova, destabilizes the socio – political life and diminishes the European integration perspectives. For these reasons, Civic Coalition demands political parties to identify constructive and sustainable solutions in order to settle the emerged political conflicts and to abstain from undermining institutions and democratic processes of the Republic of Moldova.

In this context, Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections repeatedly recommends to the Parliament to concentrate efforts in a constructive manner on the adoption of legislation on financing of political parties and of electoral campaigns as a measure for eradicating multiple problems which persist within electoral processes and in the general life of political parties. Alleviating these problems, by establishing a system transparency of political party finance, will enlarge the constituency base of parties and will contribute to the promotion of those parties which will be committed exclusively to the general interests of the citizens and of the country.

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