

CALL | Promo-LEX calls on the Government of the Republic of Moldova to create urgently the National Human Rights Council and the Permanent Secretariat for Human Rights

Addressee: Government of the Republic of Moldova

Subject: Implementation of the National Human Rights Action Plan (NHRAP)

PUBLIC CALL

On speeding up the establishment of the National Human Rights Council and the Permanent Secretariat for Human Rights, institutions in charge of coordinating and monitoring the implementation of the National Human Rights Action Plan for 2018-2022.

On May 24, 2018, the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova adopted the Decision on the approval of the National Human Rights Action Plan for 2018 – 2022. Art. 3 and art. 4 of the Decision stipulates that the Government of the Republic of Moldova undertakes to create, within 2 months of the adoption of the decision, the National Human Rights Council and the Permanent Secretariat for Human Rights. For bureaucratic reasons, these institutions have not been created so far.

The Promo-LEX Association is concerned about the delay in adopting the mechanisms designed to implement one of the most important monitoring instruments and turning to advantage international human rights recommendations.

We point out that lack of a coordination mechanism compromises the implementation and reporting processes, according to which the Council should submit to the Parliament, by April 1, 2019, a report on the implementation of the NHRAP III. Moreover, this also compromises the intermediate reporting for the Universal Periodic Review.

In the context of the above, the Promo-LEX Association asks the Government of the Republic of Moldova to:

- urgently create the National Human Rights Council and the Permanent Secretariat for Human Rights;
- establish the Human Rights Council and its local entities in a transparent manner, including through the involvement of national institutions in human rights protection, non-governmental organizations operating in the field of human rights protection and interested international organizations (holding the status of observers);
- initiate the procedure for collecting information and drafting the interim report for the Universal Periodic Review of the Republic of Moldova (Cycle III);

More details and recommendations can be found in [the Public Policy Analysis](#) developed by the Promo-LEX Association.

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