

# Human Rights in Moldova in 2012-2013 / Report



June 17, 2014, as part of a roundtable, Promo-LEX Association released the report "Human Rights in Moldova:

2012-2013 Retrospective." The report—now in its fifth edition—presents the human rights analysis for the Republic of Moldova, including Transnistria, as viewed by 12 experts.

According to the report, during the reporting period, Moldova had systemic issues with the right to liberty and security of person. Most of them relate to the arrest procedure, the detention of persons in psychiatric clinics, the compensation of material and moral damages caused by the violation of liberty and security, the provision of healthcare for detainees, etc.

The main issues with the access to justice, the right to a fair trial and the presumption of innocence, according to the experts, relate to judges' independence and unbiasedness, motivations of court judgments and reasonable timeframes for case resolution and judgment enforcement.

Despite the adoption of the Law on the Social Inclusion of

People with Disabilities, these people's rights are regularly violated in many ways, such as by the inaccessibility of social infrastructure, jobs and adequate healthcare, and severe violations of the rights of people with disabilities in psychiatric clinics.

During the reporting period, the number of officially registered domestic violence cases increased and, although there are laws and regulations providing for the protection to victims of domestic violence, the enforcement of such laws and regulations raises concerns.

The situation of human rights in Transnistria is very bad. Despite positive commitments, the constitutional law enforcement authorities, lacking actual control in that region, are unable to arrest and punish the individuals responsible for human rights violations there. In fact, the constitutional authorities could not identify any effective means to protect human rights in that region. Given these circumstances, the worst violations are committed against the right to liberty and security, the right to life and the right not to be subjected to degrading treatment.

The report is structured in 14 chapters, each one addressing one of the following rights: the right to life and the right not to be subjected to degrading treatment; liberty and security of person and the rights of detainees; free access to justice, the right to a fair trial and the presumption of innocence; the right to own property; the right to information and transparency in decision-making; freedom of expression; freedom of thought, conscience and religion; freedom of assembly and association; the right to education; the right to work, social protection and healthcare; the right to elect and to be elected; the interdiction of discrimination; domestic violence; and the right to private and family life.

The electronic version of the report is available [here](#).

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