

The problem of Romanian-language schools in the Transnistrian region on the agenda of the CoE Committee of Ministers

Between 4th – 6th of March 2014, [The Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe](#) will examine the issue concerning the non-execution of the decision of ECtHR regarding the Latin-script schools in the Transnistrian region.

Let us recall, that a Decision in this case was delivered by The Grand Chamber of ECtHR on the 19th of October 2012. The European Court of Human Rights held, unanimously, that there had been a violation of Article 2 of Protocol No. 1 (right to education) in respect of the Russian Federation. The Court held that Russia is to pay one million and twenty thousand EUR in respect of non-pecuniary damage and fifty thousand EUR for costs and expenses. For more details.

The representative of the applicants, Lawyer Alexandru Postica, sent a communication to the Committee of Ministers, that warned about the non-execution of measures with individual character to pay the amount for moral damages and to exclude the intimidation of certain applicants.

At the same time, Promo-LEX Association, sent to the Committee of Ministers a communication where it warned that Russia does not execute measures of general order. Moreover, the illegal administration from Tiraspol continues to cause impediments for the good teaching process in the Latin-script schools from the region. Ion Manole said: “Although, we have a European

Court decision, which clearly establishes the violation of the right to education in the Transnistrian region, the students and teachers of the Theoretical Lyceum "Stefan cel Mare" from Grigoriopol, continue to daily commute 30 km in order to study in their mother tongue. At the same time, another educational institutions are also subject to intimidation from the illegal administration of Tiraspol which have a systematic character."

Previously, the Committee of Ministers of CoE has adopted a declaration in which it asks the Russian Federation authorities to provide relevant information in the form of a plan of actions or a report, concerning the execution of this case. However, this action led to the increase and highlighting of pressure on the Latin-script schools from the de facto administration of the region.

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