

Promo-LEX recommends that the government of the Republic of Moldova address The Hague Court

The Moldovan constitutional authorities should approach the International Court of Justice in the Hague if the rights of its inhabitants (citizens of various states) cannot be defended and protected effectively and within a reasonable time-frame, Ion Manole, President of the Promo-LEX Association, has stated to Info-Prim Neo.

According to Mr Manole, "The Promo-LEX Association is concerned by the situation of human rights in the Transnistrian region of the Republic of Moldova, and regrets that all the efforts of the constitutional authorities and of various international actors to contribute to the establishment of rule of law on the territory, and the constant efforts of the last 18 years, have not made the self-proclaimed authorities in Tiraspol respect fundamental human rights and liberties in this region".

Ion Manole states that the Moldovan government could bring - and could have brought even before now - an inter-state application to the International Court of Justice in The Hague. This court is the principal legal body of the United Nations, sometimes referred to as the World Court. Basing its decisions on international public law, the Court decides upon disputes of a legal nature between states and gives opinions on legal matters at the request of the United Nations or of other specialised agents authorised to make such a request.

The Association President says that Promo-LEX can put experts in international public law at the disposal of the government

to look into the possibility of addressing the Hague Court, and into the preparation of the legal documents necessary for the court to rule upon the positive responsibilities and obligations of Moldova and Russia regarding the Transnistrian region.

Ion Manole said that the inhabitants of the left bank of the Nistru await effective and urgent efforts on the part of the government. "They deserve to enjoy rights and the liberties in equal measure with other citizens and inhabitants of the country. For this reason, we are expressing our readiness to support the Moldovan government in this initiative in light of the unique experience that Promo-LEX experts have in the domain of international public law and in international courts".

Note (Info-Prim Neo): The main functions of the International Court of Justice are to settle legal disputes presented by member states and to give advisory opinions at the request of duly authorised international bodies, agencies, and the UN General Assembly.

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