

The Promo-LEX Association Granted Special Consultative Status with the United Nations

The Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) granted Promo-LEX the title of “organization with special consultative status with the UN.”

Organizations that hold special consultative status may engage directly with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and its subsidiary bodies, and the UN Secretariat. Promo-LEX will therefore be able to work at an international scale, and make known its position and views in priority areas by taking human rights protection in Moldova, including the Transnistrian region, to a new level.

“Thousands of NGOs from all over the world apply to receive this status annually, and granting it to an organization signals that its professionalism and role of its work at the national level are recognized. Promo-LEX will continue to promote and protect human rights, including using this new international instrument,” said Ion Manole, Executive Director of Promo-LEX.

Promo-LEX was established in 2002, and has since become one of the most active and well-known human rights organizations in the country. In its programs, Promo-LEX actively promotes implementation in Moldova of international human rights standards through advocacy activities, and by providing legal protection of citizens’ rights, including those from the Transnistrian region. The organization has also been contributing to improving the quality of democratic processes in the country, and increasing public confidence in these

processes. The organization was worked to build the capacity Transnistrian NGOs in promoting and defending human rights and democratic values.

During these 12 years, over 100 strategic cases reached the bench of the ECtHR, and in 21 of them, successful decisions were obtained. We have provided free consultancy, assistance and trainings to approximately 13,000 people. Since 2009, we have been monitoring all electoral processes in the country, undertaking the largest monitoring effort in Moldova, in 2010, with over 2,500 observers nationwide – this exercise will be repeated during the campaign for parliamentary elections in 2014. Of over 100 recommendations put forth in Promo-LEX reports, more than half were accepted by the authorities and helped improve electoral processes in the country. In addition to this, over 60 NGOs and initiative groups from Transnistria received personalized assistance, more than 500 members of these organizations were trained, and 22 organizations won grants awarded by Promo-LEX.

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