

Socio-legal issues of UNICEF activities in the field of protection of children's rights in Russia

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Abstract: describes the social and legal aspects of UNICEF's work in the field of protection of children's rights in Russia.

Аннотация: раскрываются социально-правовые аспекты деятельности ЮНИСЕФ в сфере защиты прав детей в России.

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Protection of children's rights is one of the world's most pressing problems. Every child, not because of its ability to protect and defend the rights, needs special protection and care. The story of the creation of UNICEF began in 1940, when the Polish representative to the UN, Louis Reichman, suggested the idea of creating this organization.

The UN children's Fund was created December 11, 1946 by the decision of the UN General Assembly as an emergency organization to assist children who were victims during the Second world war.

Being under the heavy burden of war socio-economic development of our country, was difficult. However, despite these challenges, the Central and local organs of the state to carry out activities on assistance to children in difficult life situations and families with many children, the legal basis of which was laid in the second half of 1930-ies [1, p. 308].

Military implications in European countries over time overcome, so many States came to the conclusion that UNICEF has achieved its objectives. Military implications in European countries over time overcome, so many States came to the conclusion that UNICEF has achieved its objectives. However, the task pane UNICEF significantly expanded the UN General Assembly, now become the most wide goals aimed at protecting and supporting children's rights around the world. Within the competence of UNICEF entered a healthy and happy childhood for every child. In 1959 The UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration on the rights of the child. Its objective is the determination of the rights of children to education, health care, accommodation and nutrition [2].

In connection with reforming of the Russian society social problems become aggravated. We cannot ignore the fact that statistics have shown a deterioration of the General literacy of the population. Historical experience warns that the disappointment makes apolitical mass «almost overnight political force» [3, C. 56].

UNICEF's work is based on humanistic principles and conducts various social programs that are aimed primarily at protecting the fundamental rights of children, their health and life, they also aim at development of physical and intellectual foundations of the child. UNICEF is completely dependent on material donations, wearing voluntary. Various government, corporate and private organizations make investments in its operations.

In 2001 the company started «Tell the children, Yes». Its tasks include providing support in the most difficult moments, improving the lives of children all people of the world. In 2002, he organized a special session of the UN General Assembly, where official participants-delegates made by the children themselves. The session participants reviewed the results of the previously supplied plan, which was approved ten years ago, and includes programs to improve health, education and welfare [4].

Analyzing the knowledge about the activities of UNICEF in protecting children's rights, conducted a survey of 160 respondents on the basis of NANOOM «Focus groups» [5]. Method of data collection – Internet voting. The survey was conducted on the basis of anonymity, which positively contributed to the free expression of participants opinions and the sincerity of responses raised the degree of information credibility.

The first question allowed us to see the total view of respondents about the organization UNICEF. To the question, what does UNICEF as an international organization operating under the auspices of the United Nations, said all 160 respondents. The majority or 89 people correctly pointed out that UNICEF is the UN

Children's Fund (56 % of all respondents). Wrongly answered 21 % (34), mistaking UNICEF, UNFPA (the UN Fund in the Field of Activity of the Population). It should be noted that 18 % (28 responses) have not heard of the existence of UNICEF, and 6% (9 responses) not at all interested in the activities of international organizations. In the framework of the specific research interest was the awareness of the respondents about the history of UNICEF. If the answer to the first question undecided 37 % not having information about UNICEF. Therefore, the analysis of the second issue made for information 63 %.

Putting in 1953, answered incorrectly is 56 persons, i. e. 35 %. Note that 42 % answered correctly - the international organization UNICEF was created in 1946 (67 responses). Indeed the organization was created in 1946 by the decision of the UN General Assembly. The main goal of UNICEF is to protect and support the rights of children enshrined in the UN Convention on the rights of the child. In Russia, UNICEF has implemented a number of social programs. The initiative «Children in need of special protection» was directed to lend a helping hand to children in difficult life situations, children who for various reasons were deprived of parental care and live in residential establishments or in the street. The program «Health and youth development» developed by the Foundation has focused on creating a «friendly environment for young people», youth information centres, to develop models of socio-psychological support and rehabilitation support initiatives for adolescents. Implemented and other global projects such as «Neglected children, Children left without parental care «Development in early childhood».

The third question was asked to the respondents about the priority areas of UNICEF's work. Reduction of mortality of children under 5 years and 50 % reduction in mortality of mothers, mandatory primary education was the most important factor, according to 80 % (69 answers). Such an important objective as the protection of maternal and child health, training of health personnel, development of medical and biological research and analysis of health statistics noted 54 people, this amounted to 34 % of the respondents. All the same, and 37 % do not have any information about UNICEF.

To the question «do You Know where is located the headquarters of UNICEF?», the voting was as follows: in new York in the USA 44 % - 71 response; in Geneva in Switzerland 33 % - 52; in new Delhi, India 3 % - 4; don't know 21 % - 33 response.

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1 may 2010 this post is American Anthony lake. Headquarters organization located in New York. In 1965, UNICEF received the Nobel peace prize. In 1989, under the auspices of UNICEF was held the program «Year of child».

To the question about the main areas of UNICEF's work in Russia, also said all 160 respondents. The largest group – 49 %, that is 78 people informed about the direction of the UNICEF «Child needs a family. Children with disabilities. Protection of children's rights». Another 29 % (i. e., 47 replies) know about the projects «the Reduction of the share of the population living below the poverty line. The implementation of measures aimed at strengthening of health of mother and child. 6% of respondents (i. e. 9 responses) heard about what UNICEF is addressing social and labour issues and protection of human rights. Note that the previously identified 37 % do not know about UNICEF, only 16 % (26 people) have not heard anything about the projects of UNICEF. Thus, an international organization engaged in effective action to protect children's rights children's Fund, acting under the auspices of the United Nations - UNICEF. This organization aims at protecting and safeguarding the rights of those children who most need help, particularly children from developing countries. UNICEF is actively supported their activities, many famous people become ambassadors of good will. UNICEF works in over 150 countries, including Russia.

The Fund was supported by governmental and non-governmental organizations, and private individuals in all regions of Russia. UNICEF is cooperating with famous people: actors, Directors, sportsmen, musicians and public figures. Thanks to their support, UNICEF has drawn attention to the problems of children.

However, it should be noted that, through UNICEF, was cited projects are not always favorable of the Russian Federation, in particular dubious projects and the «bold experiments» of the Fund, undermining the foundations of family and tradition. That is why September 4, 2009, a decision was made by President of Russia D. A. Medvedev on the closure of representative offices and funds of UNICEF in Russia. Relations with UN funds will be transferred «into the plane of equal and mutually beneficial partnership».

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