

On the facts of the persecution of non-citizens in Latvia

The Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe makes a major contribution to protecting the interests of Muslims, Christians, Jews, Roma, and this activity is welcome in every way.

However, I would like to draw the attention of the organization's leadership in the large group of the population which is discriminated against in Estonia and Latvia. This group - non-citizens. In 1991 this group was deprived of many fundamental human rights and is still in the same position. Until now living in Latvia 300 thousand, and in Estonia, 100 thousand people who do not have citizenship rights. They can not elect their representatives and be elected, to work in the public sector to engage in so-called intellectualist professions, limited in a number of social and economic rights. There are about 80 items on which non-citizens have fewer rights than citizens.

I myself am a non-citizen of Latvia and totally excluded from the political processes in the country. Evidence of this, I demonstrate a special non-citizen passport, in which there is a record that I «aliens». At the same time, I am the Speaker of the Parliament of unrepresented(noncitizens) - organization, which was created by aliens to represent their interests and engage in dialogue with the authorities of Latvia. However, for the third year power completely refuse to dialogue with us, and we have to ask for the mediation of international organizations.

Recently revealed a new trend in relations between the authorities and non-citizens. Latvian security police began to pursue the leadership of the Parliament of unrepresented. This persecution is that we regularly appear in the reports of the Security Police to the section about the threats of international terrorism. That is, we estimate the danger of a higher level than Al Qaeda or ISIS. In these reports, we are accused that we dared to create an organization that

represents the interests of non-citizens, that we dared to speak to the OSCE, write a letter to the UN Secretary-General. But Ban Ki-moon answers to our letters. And in response to this letter the Secretary-General, within the Office for Refugees set up a committee to ensure the elimination of the institute of non-citizens in the world by 2018

Security Police Harassment of Parliament of unrepresented activists already passed the stage of instituting criminal proceedings against. Here is your Rapporteur charged with a criminal offense contrived only for the fact that represented the interests of large groups of people are discriminated against - aliens.

My recommendations of the OSCE leadership.

Create a commission to monitor the problem of mass non-citizenship in Latvia and Estonia. The Commission should pay attention to the facts of the persecution of activists of non-citizens in Latvia and Estonia by Political police.

Once again, I imagine gathering, the book, which is called "The persecution dissidents in the Baltic States." This book describes 50 cases, only a small fraction of all cases, including criminal prosecution.

For example, three months ago I was in Latvia was arrested, searched and confiscated a computer, electronic media and documents. Erased computer manuscript of my book. I am a professor, I am writing a book. The book is dedicated to the protection of minority rights. At my request, return me the manuscript I was told - no manuscript was not there. The results of my annual intellectual work were destroyed.

We, the non-citizens, have decided to appeal to the International Criminal Court with a lawsuit against the Government of Latvia on the facts of the persecution of dissidents.

However, we appeal to the leadership of the OSCE to apply the tools of influence on Latvia in the field of protection of minorities that are discriminated against, which are in its possession.

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