

Item 5:
Study on the access to justice in the promotion and
protection of the rights of indigenous peoples

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Report on abuse of access to justice and the right to use of natural gas, inaction of government, law enforcement and courts of the Russian Federation and the Republic Sakha (Yakutia)

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We have many problems with access to justice. Justice must be effective and assist protection of rights of indigenous peoples. Justice should provide a practical solution of vital problems.

Unfortunately, in Russia laws, the government and the courts cannot provide a solution of the problems in lawful way. I want you to notice to situations when raider seizure of whole economy branch threatens life and health of indigenous peoples. So I propose that we adopt legal methods of solving problems of life support. Future study may be devoted to this problem.

I describe the problem on example of my region - the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) of the Russian Federation. The Republic Sakha (Yakutia) is located in the north-eastern part of Russia. It have extremely harsh climatic conditions. In winter temperature drops to minus -50 -60 degrees Celsius. In towns Verkhoyansk and Oymyakon registered absolute minimum temperature -68 ° C.

In these circumstances, it is vital to providing quality housing services. Heating is particular importance in ensuring life. The most common resources for heating is wood, oil, coal and gas.

Technological progress of the 20th century allowed to implement the most cost-effective and environmentally friendly types of heating systems. The transition was made from wood heating to gas.

Definitely, for the safety of life the state should control the oil and gas companies. The transition of enterprises to the private sector may significantly reduce the level of heat stability and security. It is especially dangerous to transfer of strategically important enterprises to foreign companies, the main aim of which in some cases is making a profit at the expense of price gouging and reduction of security cost.

The occurrence of accidents and termination of heating in winter can lead to catastrophic consequences and physical death from cold.

At present, a situation at the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) threatens the life safety of indigenous peoples and local communities that use natural gas for heating and cooking.

The situation is the loss of influence of the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) in the activity of the main gas company "Yakutgazprom" which provide gas entire republic. It was as a result of hostile takeover with the active complicity of senior officials of the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) and the Russian Federation. Enterprise management was transferred to the LLC "Slavia", registered in the British Virgin Islands.

Despite repeated requests from deputies and civil activists on the fact of this violation, law enforcement and judicial authorities of the Russian Federation and the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia) are inactive.

The Prosecutor of the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) Anatoly Podlasenko does not supervise compliance with applicable federal laws. Chief federal inspector Genady Vadyuhin does not provide the exercise of powers of the Russian President. It discredits the Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Significant harm to the interests of indigenous peoples in the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) was happened and real threat to life safety was created.

Every year capital investment and the investment component are laid in gas tariffs, but the funds are not utilized. Systematically funds were not used for overhaul of fixed assets that increase risk of accidents.

According to expert estimates as a result over the years they over-collected 640 million rubles from consumers of natural gas. The price of gas condensate with 6 rubles increased to 14.5 rubles per liter. And then indigenous peoples in the Republic Sakha (Yakutia) have to face the question of switching to coal.

Unreasonable increase of gas price lead to overestimation of inflation and lower standards of living of the population in the Republic Sakha (Yakutia).

This is a vivid example of problems of access to justice, which led to mass and gross violation of the rights of indigenous peoples.

We must take measures to solve such problems.