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**DIRECTIVE**

No. 860 dated October 24, 2016

**Minsk**

Approval of the Interagency Plan on implementation of recommendations accepted by the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review and recommendations addressed to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies for 2016 – 2019.

The Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus RESOLVES:

1. To approve the attached Interagency Plan on implementation of recommendations accepted the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review and recommendations addressed to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies for 2016 – 2019 (hereinafter referred to as the Interagency Plan).
2. The executing agencies responsible for the Interagency Plan shall submit information on the Interagency Plan progress to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs annually until February 20 of the year following the reporting one.
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs shall

coordinate the work and control the Interagency Plan progress;

submit information on the Interagency Plan progress to the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus annually until April 20 of the year following the reporting one.

1. This directive shall come into effect from the date of adoption hereof.

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| Prime Minister of the Republic of Belarus | 1. Kobyakov |

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INTERAGENCY PLAN

on implementation of recommendations accepted by the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review and recommendations addressed to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies for 2016 – 2019.

The interagency plan on implementation of recommendations accepted by the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review and recommendations addressed to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies for 2016 – 2019 (hereinafter referred to as the Interagency Plan) is a programme document aimed at promoting implementation of international human rights obligations of the Republic of Belarus including improvement of legislation and regulatory enforcement.

In the Republic of Belarus, basic human rights and freedoms, guarantees of enjoyment thereof are enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of Belarus and proclaimed as the highest value and goal of the society and the State. The priority of universally recognised principles of international law is enshrined at the constitutional level.

The Republic of Belarus is a sovereign dynamically developing country which has attained a lot of important targets in the human right sphere.

In accordance with the United Nations Development Programme (hereinafter referred to as the UNDP) data, our country was ranked 50th in the Human Development Index ranking in 2015 joining the group of countries with a high human development.

Based on the United Nation Population Fund’s (hereinafter referred to as the UNFPA) information, according to the results of 2014, Belarus was ranked 1st in the World in decrease of the maternal mortality rate and joined the group of 42 countries where 100 per cent of babies are delivered by qualified medical personnel.

According to the report of the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNISEF) for 2014, Belarus has the lowest rate of child mortality in the Commonwealth of Independent States. The Republic of Belarus joined the group of 25 countries which are the most prosperous for maternity and was ranked 31st in the World in the Gender Equality Index.

In 2016, the World Health Organisation acknowledged success of Belarus in complete prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV and syphilis.

International organisations acknowledge results achieved by Belarus in other spheres as well.

The national human rights legislation of the Republic of Belarus is based on fundamental international documents in this sphere.

The Republic of Belarus is a party to the majority of international human rights agreements. Belarus cooperates with Human Rights Treaty Bodies and presents them periodic reports on implementation of its international obligations. In particular, final recommendations of the Treaty Bodies are taken into account in the process of improvement of national legislation and human rights promotion and protection policy.

Belarus continuously adheres to human rights promotion and protection policy approaches according to which civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights are indivisible, interrelated, interdependent, and mutually supportive.

The Republic of Belarus cooperates constructively with international human rights mechanisms, supports dialog with special thematic procedures of the United Nations Human Rights Council (hereinafter referred to as the UN Human Rights Council), interacts with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, programmes, funds, and special organisations of the United Nations Organisation system (hereinafter referred to as UNO).

Belarus considers the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review as the most important mechanism which encourages constructive international human rights cooperation and strengthening of a mutually respectful dialog.

The goal of the Interagency Plan is further strengthening of national capacity in implementation of international human rights obligations of the Republic of Belarus.

The Interagency Plan is a long-term document aimed at carrying out the following tasks:

strengthening of national capacity on effective implementation of obligations by the Republic of Belarus in accordance with international human rights agreements;

identification of human rights problems and elaboration of possible legislative and institutional measures to solve them;

effective use of international experience to improve the State human rights policy;

development of the human rights potential of governmental organisations;

improvement of the State human rights control system, strengthening of the activity results transparency level;

expansion of public-private human rights partnership;

support to the most defenseless population groups;

improvement of practices for collecting and analysing detailed data in all aspects of human rights and freedoms using indexes which reflect implementation of international human rights and freedoms standards in accordance with international requirements.

Implementation of the Interagency Plan will contribute to the implementation of the State programme activities related to Belarusian citizens’ rights protection as well as the United Nations Development Assistance Framework for the Republic of Belarus (UNDAF) for 2016 – 2020, UNDP, UNISEF, and UNFPA country programmes for the Republic of Belarus for 2016 – 2020.

The Interagency Plan will also help the Republic of Belarus achieve goals and objectives of the international development agenda for the period till 2030.

Activities within the Interagency Plan on implementation of recommendations adopted by the Republic of Belarus according to the results of the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review and recommendations addressed to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies for 2016 – 2019 will be executed as listed the supplement by the republican bodies of state administration, local executive and regulatory bodies with engaging scientific and religious organisations, social associations, financial and technical potential of international organisations.

The Interagency Plan activities are financed with the assets provided from republican and local budgets, in the budget of the State Non-budgetary Social Protection Fund of the Republic of Belarus for corresponding purposes as well as other sources allowed by the legislation.

Supplement

to the Interagency Plan for implementing recommendations accepted by the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council's Universal Periodic Review and recommendations for the period between 2016 and 2019 issued to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies

Activities stipulated by the Interagency Plan for implementing recommendations accepted by the Republic of Belarus following the second cycle of the United Nations Human Rights Council's Universal Periodic Review and recommendations for the period between 2016 and 2019 issued to the Republic of Belarus by Human Rights Treaty Bodies

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| International Obligations | | |
| 1. Consider the expediency of acceding to basic international human rights treaties to which the Republic of Belarus is not party at present. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Devise a ratification bill for the Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities and submit it to the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus in accordance with the established procedure. | 2016 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Consider the possibility of joining the Council of Europe's conventions that are of interest to the Republic of Belarus. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| Institutional and Human Rights Infrastructure and Policies | | |
| 1. Continue making a comprehensive effort to assess the expediency of establishing a national human rights institution in the Republic of Belarus. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Continue involving civil society organisations in discussing draft ordinances and regulations, including through the admission of their representatives to public advisory councils as well as through the examination of regulations for the presence of provisions aimed at increasing public involvement in governing society and the state. | 2016 - 2019 | Justice Ministry, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Review the performance of public advisory councils under national-level governmental agencies to increase the transparency of their activities. | 2016 - 2019 | Other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Continue inviting civil society organisations to participate in national and international events to promote and protect human rights. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Improve the government's social service outsourcing system to support non-governmental non-profit organisations that provide social services to the population. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other national-level governmental agencies, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Cooperate with the UN Human Rights Committee in the framework of the procedure of considering individual communications stipulated by an Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights dated December 16, 1966. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, Supreme Court, Prosecutor General's Office, Justice Ministry, MIA, Investigation Committee. |

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| 1. Examine the most common individual communications filed by citizens of Belarus with the UN Human Rights Committee and the Committee's conclusions for the potential improvement of regulations and their application. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, Justice Ministry, Supreme Court, Prosecutor General's Office |
| 1. Study international experience of cooperation with the UN Human Rights Committee in the framework of the individual communication consideration procedure, including countries' approaches to dealing with the Committee conclusions, requests for their publication as well as opportunities for using foreign experience in the Republic of Belarus. | 2016 – 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Evaluate regulations for compliance with the Declaration on the Rights and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognised Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms dated December 9, 1998. | 2017 | National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| Cooperation with Human Rights Mechanisms, Including Treaty Bodies | | |
| 1. Continue inviting special thematic procedures of the UN Human Rights Council to pay official visits to Belarus. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA |
| 1. Study the international experience of extending an open invitation to special thematic procedures of the United Nations Human Rights Council. | 2016 – 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Continue providing special thematic procedures of the UN Human Rights Council with information relating to their mandatory activities. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |

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| 1. Draw up and present (defend) periodic reports for human rights treaty bodies and a national report for the third cycle of the Universal Periodic Review at the UN Human Rights Council with representatives of concerned national-level governmental agencies in attendance. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Work together with concerned national-level governmental agencies to review final conclusions by human rights treaty bodies following the presentation of periodic reports by the Republic of Belarus. | 2016 - 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Continue cooperating with international organisations in holding events aimed at promoting and protecting human rights. | 2016 - 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Consider the expediency of establishing the position of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights' counselor at the UN/UNDP Office in the Republic of Belarus, taking international experience into account. | 2017 - 2018 | MFA |
| 1. Consider the issue of a visit by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights to the Republic of Belarus. | 2016 - 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Consider the issue of inviting the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General on Violence against Children to visit the Republic of Belarus. | 2017 | MFA, MIA, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health |
| Equality and Non-discrimination | | |
| 1. Examine regulations to ensure the presence of normative requirements prohibiting any type of discrimination and decide on the expediency of devising a comprehensive law that would prohibit such discrimination. | 2017 - 2019 | National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Examine regulations and amend them to eliminate any discriminatory references to HIV-positive people. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Engage civil society organisations more actively in protecting the rights of convicts. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, Justice Ministry, General Prosecutor’s Office |
| Right to Life, Liberty and Safety | | |
| 1. Consider the possibility of improving existing regulations against domestic violence or devising new ones. | 2016 - 2017 | MFA, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, General Prosecutor’s Office, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Conduct awareness-raising campaigns aimed at preventing domestic violence, increasing public awareness of the negative consequences of domestic violence and of existing regulations against domestic violence. | 2016 - 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, MIA, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health |
| 1. Improve the support system for victims of domestic violence by developing the network of "crisis rooms," conducting training courses and increasing interagency cooperating to provide such assistance. | 2016 - 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science, MIA |
| 1. Improve the social rehabilitation system for former convicts. | 2016 - 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, MIA, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health |
| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Study international experience to introduce the practice of making audio or video records of questioning sessions at police stations and detention centres as a means of torture and violence prevention, consider the expediency of applying that experience in the Republic of Belarus. | 2017 - 2019 | MFA, General Prosecutor’s Office, Investigative Committee, MIA, MSS |
| 1. Implement the 2011-17 programme of the construction and modernization of buildings of the interior ministry's Finance and Logistics Support Department, the Minsk city police department, the regional police departments, authorized by the Council of Ministers' February 15, 2011 directive, including for the purpose of the further improvement of the living conditions of inmates of detention centres. | 2016 - 2017 | MIA |
| 1. Conduct campaigns to raise public awareness of the problem of human trafficking and the need to protect its victims, including through cooperation with international organisations. | 2016 - 2019 | MIA, MFA, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection |
| 1. Promote Belarus' proposals for stepping up international efforts against human trafficking within the framework of international organisations. | 2018 - 2019 | MFA, MIA |
| 1. Prosecute individuals guilty of human trafficking and ensure compliance with the principle of the inevitability of punishment for such individuals. | 2016 - 2019 | MIA, General Prosecutor’s Office, Investigative Committee, MSS, Supreme Court |
| 1. Train officers of law-enforcement and other governmental agencies to identify victims of human trafficking and provide them with assistance and protection. | 2018 - 2019 | MIA |

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| 1. Hold international events on the prevention of human trafficking and the protection of trafficking victims at International Centre for Training and Retraining Anti-trafficking and Migration Management of the interior ministry's Academy. | 2018 - 2019 | MIA, MFA, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Health |
| 1. Hold events to thoroughly examine international trends regarding the application of the death penalty and public sentiments about this practice. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Discuss the possibility of amending regulations to provide for suspending the consideration of criminal cases by courts until the completion of inquiries into allegations of the use of torture to extract confessions from the accused. | 2016 - 2019 | Supreme Court, General Prosecutor’s Office, Justice Ministry, MIA, Investigative Committee |
| Justice System, Including the Rule of Law | | |
| 1. Consider the possibility of improving the procedure of reviewing court rulings that have not taken effect by introducing a system of appeals in civil cases. | 2016 - 2017 | Supreme Court, Justice Ministry, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| 1. Consider the expediency of introducing a specialized civil court procedure to handle disputes between citizens and the state represented by governmental agencies and officials. | 2017 - 2019 | Supreme Court, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| 1. Consider the possibility of introducing the procedure of out-of-court settlement (mediation) for criminal cases. | 2016 - 2018 | Supreme Court, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, Justice Ministry, Investigative Committee, General Prosecutor’s Office |
| 1. Consider the possibility of broadening the application of alternative methods of dispute resolution, reconciliatory and restorative procedures for all types of proceedings. | 2016 - 2018 | Supreme Court, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, Justice Ministry, Investigative Committee |

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| 1. Consider the expediency of amending regulations governing arrest and detention, taking into account international experience. | 2018 - 2019 | Supreme Court, General Prosecutor’s Office, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, MIA, Investigative Committee, MFA |
| 1. Consider the issue of holding a public discussion of possible measures to improve regulations governing the judicial system. | 2017 - 2019 | Supreme Court |
| 1. Devise a bill of amendments to Belarus' Education Code to provide for underage inmates of correctional institution to receive secondary education. | 2016 - 2017 | MIA, Ministry of Education and Science |
| 1. Consider the expediency of amending the Criminal Executive Code to enable inmates to receive secondary specialized and higher education by correspondence. | 2016 – 2017 | -“- |
| 1. Consider the possibility of increasing the accessibility of vocational, higher and supplementary education services for inmates of juvenile correctional institutions. | 2017 - 2019 | MIA, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection |
| Privacy, Family and Marriage, Children’s Rights | | |
| 1. Contribute to strengthening the potential of the Family Friends Group activity and ensure Belarus' participation in international activities to promote family values. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Take measures to promote family values and enhance the status of a family. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Education and Science, Ministry of Health, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Take measures to create a family-type environment for children who need alternative care. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Education and Science |
| 1. Take measures to support families to prevent individuals from losing their parental rights and reduce the number of such cases, and to support parents and official custodians to enhance their capability to perform their parental functions while simultaneously recognizing the family unit as the natural environment for the growth and flourishing of children. | 2016 - 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, Ministry of Education and Science, MIA |
| 1. Take measures to prevent suicide among teenagers and build the potential of psychological counseling services as part of measures to prevent suicidal behavior in Belarus for the period between 2015 and 2019, which were authorized by the health ministry on 7 April, 2015. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science, MIA |
| 1. Examine judicial and investigative practices in cases involving crimes against the personal freedoms, honour and dignity of juveniles. | 2016 - 2017 | Supreme Court, General Prosecutor’s Office, Investigative Committee |
| 1. Consider the expediency of introducing mandatory social leaves for fathers after the birth of children. | 2016 - 2017 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection |
| Right to Freedom of Speech, Expression, Religion, Peaceful Assembly and Participation in Political Activities | | |
| 1. Monitor the enforcement of media regulations. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Information |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Hold international events for the editorial boards of media outlets, journalists, representatives of the expert community (exhibitions, forums, conferences) on a regular basis to ensure respect for freedom of speech. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Information, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Study the international experience of holding mass events, consider the expediency of taking this experience into account at the national level. | 2017 - 2018 | MFA, MIA, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| 1. Continue cooperating with the OSCE in improving Belarus' electoral process. | 2016 - 2019 | CEC, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, MFA, Justice Ministry |
| 1. Devise and implement annual educational programmes for journalists concerning religious and ethnic relations in Belarus to promote respect for freedoms of speech and religion; introduce incentives for the editorial boards of media outlets and journalists for the efficient promotion of religious peace and concord by organizing and holding an annual cultural contest on this theme. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Information, Religion and Nationality Officer |
| Right to Work and Fair and Favourable Working Conditions | | |
| 1. Implement Subprogramme No. 1, "Promoting Population Employment," of the 2016-20 state programme of the social protection of the population and the encouragement of its employment, approved by a directive of the Council of Ministers on January 30, 2016, including for the purpose of increasing employment rates among the most vulnerable population groups, young people and women and also helping unemployed people start business activities. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other national-level governmental agencies |

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| 1. Do explanatory work within international organisations to inform them about Belarus' labour regulations. | 2016 - 2019 | MFA, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection |
| 1. Summarize the judicial experience of ensuring the right of women to equal working conditions. | 20167 - 2018 | Supreme Court |
| Right to Social Security and Adequate Living Standards | | |
| 1. Provide targeted social support to the population within the framework of regulations currently in force. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Ensure the social integration of disabled people within the framework of the implementation of Subprogramme No. 5, "Social Integration of People with Disabilities and Senior Citizens," of the 2016-20 state programme of the social protection of the population and the encouragement of its employment. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Education and Science, other national-level governmental agencies, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Provide disabled people residing in nursing homes for senior people, disabled people and disabled children with accompanied living services to prepare them for independent life outside of their institutions. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| Right to Health | | |
| 1. Improve the mechanism of cooperation between governmental agencies and civil society organisations providing palliative care. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Intensify efforts to raise public awareness of issues relating to the transmission of the HIV virus, prevent discrimination against people living with HIV/AIDS within the framework of Subprogramme No. 5, "Prevention of HIV Infection," of the 2016-20 state programme titled, "Health of Nation and Demographic Security of Republic of Belarus," authorized by a directive issued by the Council of Ministers on March 14, 2016. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health |
| 1. Conduct a social and economic study to evaluate the application of the methadone maintenance treatment in Belarus and devise specific recommendations for improving this therapy. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health. MIA |
| 1. Study regulations to eliminate provisions that prohibit the employment of HIV-positive individuals. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| 1. Develop and introduce a national model of a family planning service. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health |
| 1. Improve the performance of teenager-friendly centres and the quality of outreach to teenagers and young people, including at-risk teenagers, with respect to reproductive health, the accessibility of consulting and HIV testing services, including anonymous services. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Take measures, including the publication of information by media outlets, to highlight strategies for preserving and improving reproductive health and issues relating to the prevention of abortion and its harmfulness. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Step up awareness-raising efforts to encourage people to undergo screening and health examinations. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Study the aspects of healthy lifestyles that have a considerable influence on the reproductive health, life expectancy and life quality of different population groups (by gender, social status, age). | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health |
| 1. Devise a communication strategy that would be aimed at improving reproductive health and life quality and increasing life expectancy in different gender, social and age groups, and ensure the implementation of this strategy by health workers and other professionals. | 2016 - 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Devise a national strategy for improving the health of children and teenagers based on the respective WHO strategy. | 2016 - 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Expand the practice of providing motivational counseling to individuals who abuse alcohol or suffer from other types of addiction. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, MIA, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Devise a programme of psychosocial support for people abusing psychoactive substances. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Education and Science |
| 1. Ensure the accessibility of replacement therapies for the residents of all administrative units. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Consider the expediency of expanding the network of rehabilitation centres for alcohol and drug users, including by establishing social rehabilitation centres. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Evaluate the need for amending regulations to improve preventive anti-drug activities, the social rehabilitation of drug addicts and the prevention of offences by this category of individuals. | 2016 - 2019 | MIA, Ministry of Health, General Prosecutor’s Office |
| Right to Education and the Rights in the Sphere of Culture | | |
| 1. Create conditions for children and teenagers in all regions to receive artistic training under a supplementary cultural education programme. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Culture, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Ensure that vision-impaired people can exercise their right to experience culture in any way convenient to them on the basis of the principle of inclusiveness, consider the possibility of producing audio descriptions of works of art. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Culture |
| 1. Provide mobile cultural services to residents of rural areas that lack permanent cultural institutions. | 2016 - 2019 | Ministry of Culture, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Encourage the development of the cultures of the national minorities residing in Belarus, including by organizing and holding respective cultural events. | 2016 – 2019 | -“- |
| Rights of Disabled People | | |
| 1. Devise science-based proposals for developing a national action plan to implement the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 13 December 2006. | 2016 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| 1. Develop social services for families with disabled children. | 2016 – 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science |
| 1. Provide occupational training and retraining to employees of organisations that render social services to people with disabilities, including disabled children. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Ensure that children with disabilities who need institutional care can receive it at nursing homes for disabled children. | 2016 – 2019 | -“- |
| 1. Take efficient measures to provide disabled people with jobs within the framework of Subprogramme No. 1, "Promoting Population Employment," of the 2016-20 state program of the social protection of the population and the encouragement of its employment. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Provide specialist doctors and senior paramedical personnel with training in palliative medical care for adults and children in outpatient settings. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Health, Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee |
| 1. Sample households for a comprehensive assessment of the situation of people with limited abilities. | 2016 – 2019 | Belstat, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Science |

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| Activities | Implementation Period, Years | Implementing Agencies |
| Rights of Migrants and Refugees | | |
| 1. Evaluate legislative provisions to ensure compliance with the principle of acting in the best interests of children in international agreements on forced migration as well as other international human rights agreements to which Belarus is party and in international legal decisions made by the United Nations, in order to assess the necessity of enshrining the abovementioned principle in forced migration regulations. | 2018 | National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research, MIA |
| 1. Evaluate regulations for their conformity with the 1954 Convention related to the status of Stateless Persons, the 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness and the 1997 European Convention on Nationality. | 2017 – 2018 | National Centre of Legislation and Legal Research |
| 1. Consider the expediency of acceding to the 1954 Convention related to the status of Stateless Persons, the 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness and the 1997 European Convention on Nationality. | 2019 | MIA, MFA |
| 1. Improve the professional skills of individuals who are responsible for the consideration of applications for refugee status or for subsidiary or temporary protection in Belarus and the preparation of decisions on them. | 2016 – 2019 | MIA |
| Gender Equality | | |
| 1. Ensure that the Fifth National Gender Equality Plan is devised and its implementation is monitored. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other national-level governmental agencies |

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| 1. Ensure the regular publication of a reference book containing the most important gender statistical data, *Men and Women of the Republic of Belarus*. | 2016, 2018 | Belstat |
| 1. Enhance the potential of the National Council on Gender Policy under the aegis of the Council of Ministers, including by ensuring the participation of members of the Council in information and educational events to exchange experience of the implementation of gender policies. | 2016 – 2019 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, MFA, other national-level governmental agencies |
| 1. Consider the possibility of the adoption of a Gender Equality Concept in Belarus. | 2016 – 2018 | Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, other republican bodies of state administration |
| 1. Ensure the continual media coverage of gender equality issues and conduct of awareness-raising campaigns and educational events aimed at eliminating gender stereotypes and improving gender culture. | 2016 – 2019 | Region Executive Committees, Minsk City Executive Committee, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Ministry of Information, Ministry of Education and Science, other national-level governmental agencies |