

SEPTEMBER 27 - THE DAY OF THE MEMORY OF THE HEROES OF ABKHAZIA AND THE DAY OF HOPE

On the 27 of September 2008, the representatives of the IDP society, city and regional Government, war veterans, representatives of religious, educational and scientific societies, professors, teachers and the students of the displaced universities and schools gathered at the memorial of the heroes of the war for the territorial integrity of Georgia. Temur Mjhadia the Head of the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Georgia and other representatives of the Government of the Autonomous Republic attended also the meetings dedicated to the memory day in Kutaisi, Tskaltubo and Khoni.



Temur Mjhadia, Metropolitan of Kutaisi and Gaenati lord Kalistrate and other society members addressed to the meeting participants. Each of them highlighted the importance of Abkhazia

in the final forming of the Georgian State organization. They mentioned the heavy sacrifices that the Georgian nation had to make for its independence, against its aggressive neighbor – Russia. Russia had been doing everything so far to annihilate the Georgian State organization and destroy the territorial integrity of the country. The great sacrifices made during the struggle for the territorial integrity is sacred and should

become the guarantee of the future winnings. They expressed the hope that with the help of the international community and the democratic countries and our indefatigable efforts the day will come in the nearest future, when the territorial integrity of Georgia will be re-established and the country will finally get free from the neighbor with neo-imperialistic ideas, and its attempts to dictate on our country.

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The August 2008 conflict- Russia's open aggression against Georgia made our country face to face with number of new problems. The population displaced from Tskhinvali Region, Gori and the Gori District villages as well as the population from Upper Abkhazia appeared in a particular difficult situation. The IDPs came up to the Imereti Region as well. Thousands of people came to Kutaisi, Zestaphoni and Baghdati Districts.

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Number of the NGOs acting in Kutaisi immediately responded the emergency situation to avoid the humanitarian catastrophe in the Region and provide the food and the articles of the primary consumption.

In the previous issue of our newsletter we informed the readers about the operative response of the International Organization CRS to the hard and difficult situation existing in our country. They found the resources to assist the New Caseload IDPs and together with the fund "Abkhazintercont" set the strategic plan for the assistance.

As a result the Fund "Abkhazintercont" has actively been implementing the plan for two months already providing the emergency assistance to the IDPs settled in Kutaisi, Sachkhere, Tskhaltubo, Zestaphoni, Baghdati, Tkibuli, Ambrolauri, Oni Districts. The humanitarian assistance is given to the IDPs settled in both collective centers and the private accommodations.

The timeframe of the project is three months and will be implemented in several stages. Apart to the food products IDPs will receive hygiene and primary consumption goods. In total the project will cover 1000 individuals 350 new caseload IDP-s families. The distribution of the commodities is going according to the schedule and covers all the targeted Districts.

On the 19th of September Fund "Abkhazintercont" distributed the commodities to the new IDPs in Zestafoni and the village Vartsikhe, Bagdati District. The humanitarian assistance was given to the population displaced from Tskhinvali Region, Gori and the Gori District villages as well as the population from Upper Abkhazia Kodori Walley.

The guests of the organization Mr. George Gvazava, the Vice Chair of the Supreme Council of the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia, Mr. David Gvazabia and Vakhtang Kacharava, the member and the staff member of the Supreme Council, Mr. Zaza Chachava, the Head of the Representation of the Government of the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia in Imereti and Racha-Lechkhumi and Lower Svaneti Regions and other members of the Representation attended the distribution.

The IDPs explained their difficult situation to the guests. Many of them expressed their gratitude towards the staff members of the fund "Abkhazintercont", mentioning that their timely assistance was a great help for them in such a difficult situation. They asked to send their great gratitude to the Headquarters of the International Organization CRS and their staff members. Without their financial and moral support it would be difficult for them to overcome the critical situation.



Small business in the Developed Countries has important social-economic function, in particular, providing the employment, forming the competitive environment, supporting the innovation activities and etc. The small business enterprises are mostly specialized in wholesale (17% of the total number of the firms), computer service (17% of the total number of the firms) and trade (12% of the total number of the firms).

Transport and the communication is considered to be one of the biggest and dynamic segments of the development.

Most of the entrepreneurs in Europe are men (78% in average). The percentage of women entrepreneurs is very low in Greece, Austria and the Great Britain (in average 15%). It is a bit higher in Finland, Belgium, Nitherland, Luxemburg and France (in average 25%)

There were more then 20 million small and medium sized businesses in the Countries of European Union by 2007, employing 122 million individuals. The number of the employees in small enterprises reaches approximately 65 million. The number of employees in 99 % of the enterprises does not axe 250 individuals.

Half of the businesses are so cold "one-man businesses" where only the owner and his family members are the employees. In total small businesses provide the 53% of the working places and one fourth of the turnover of the goods. 70 % of the employees are working in the trade and service.

The criteria or the definition of the small enterprises:

Micro enterprise - range of employees less then 10 individuals; turnover – up to 2 million Euro per annum; balance – up to 2 million Euro per annum.

Currently Charter for Small Enterprises is in force in Euro Union, which is the basis of the business policy for Euro Commission.

The Charter for Small Enterprises was adopted in Spain in 2000 and is a main document reflecting the strategy of the development of Europe till 2010. The Strategy considers the development of the competitive economy in Europe till 2010 with the leading role of the small business.

The International Economic Organizations have their own criteria regarding the small business e.g. The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has the following criteria for the employment:

- Very small- no more than 19 individuals
- Small - no more than 99 individuals
- Medium sized – 100-499 individuals
- Large scale – more than 500 individuals.

There are some differences for the definition of small enterprise between the countries of the members of the Euro Union also.

In the United Kingdom it is based on the turnover and the number of employees.

Micro enterprise is the firm with 1-25 employees.

SMALL BUSINESS IN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

According to the World Bank the number of the criteria defining whether the enterprise belongs to the small business is more then 50, but the main criteria is the average number of employees during the reporting period (one year).

The general criteria are:

- Number of employees
- Research department
- Amount of started capital
- Active volume
- Amount of profit or income

The criteria are different by the country. E.g. according to the European Union recommendations from April 3, 1996, small and medium size businesses are of the following parameters:

The small enterprise is the enterprise with less than 50 employees or with the annual turnover less than 7 million Euro; or with annual balance less than 5 million Euro; satisfy the criteria of independence (enterprise with the share no more than 25 %).

On May 6, 2003 Euro commission adopted the new criteria for micro, small and medium size businesses entered into force since January 1, 2005. The criteria classifies the following:

Medium size enterprise – range of employees 50-249 individuals; turnover – up to 50 million Euro per annum; balance – up to 43 million Euro per annum.

Small enterprise - range of employees 10-49 individuals; turnover – up to 10 million Euro per annum; balance – up to 10 million Euro per annum.

Small enterprise is the firm with 25-50 employees.

In the processing industry the small enterprise is defined as an enterprise with less than 200 employees, while in trade it is defined with the annual turnover of less than 400 thousand Pounds.

According to the law (act "Regarding the Companies") the small enterprise should satisfy at least 2 of the below mentioned criteria:

- Annual turnover – no more than 2,8 million Pounds
- Assets – no more than 1,5 million Pounds
- Number of employees – 50 individuals.

In France the small enterprise is considered the firm with the employees less than 500 individuals and with the annual turnover before covering the taxes to be less than 200 million. These criteria are different for the different fields of the industry. E.g. in agriculture and food processing the enterprise employing more than 200 individuals considers as large and in processing industry the limit is 500 individuals.

In Sweden the criteria of defining the small enterprise is the same as in France. But in addition here it is used the rate of growth, field of activity, the specific characters of the business owner and manager (woman entrepreneur, foreigner and etc.), type of the problems and etc.

In Germany according to the federal classification the small enterprise is considered the firm with the employees no more than 49 individuals and with the annual turnover less than 1 million.

Small enterprise is the firm managed by the legally independent owner directly participating in the producing process, taking all the economical risks and financing his own activities as a rule, without attracting the credits.

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ANSWERS TO SOME OF THE ACTUAL QUESTIONS

QUESTION: Can the validity of the passport be extended?

ANSWER: Regarding the issue of the new symbolic Georgian citizen passport, the old expired passport will no be expired.

QUESTION: Is it necessary to take the new symbolic Georgian citizen passport if the old passport is valid?

ANSWER: If the citizen has the valid old passport it is valid until the date of expire, accordingly it is not necessary to take the new symbolic Georgian citizen passport.

QUESTION: Which documents are necessary for the registration of birth?

ANSWER: For the Registration of birth one should perform the following documentation:

1. In case of the registered marriage:

- The marriage registration certificate
- IDs of the parents
- Certificate from the health care institution regarding the birth of child
- The application of the both parents.

2. In case of the non registered marriage

- IDs of parents
- Certificate from the health care institution regarding the birth of child
- The application of the both parents or the application of the father the decision of cord regarding the father.

3. In case of not marriage mother

- ID of the mother.
- Certificate from the health care institution regarding the birth of child
- Application of the mother.

Question: Who else besides the parents has the right of registration child's birth and getting the birth certificate?

Answer: The right of registration child's birth and getting the birth certificate apart the parents has:

- Person who has the written warrant of the parents
- The State or the Maternity House, or other Health institution and the administration of the Institution if the child was born there.
- The person attended the delivery if the child was born out of the health Institution.
- Head of prison or the administration of prison if the child was born there.
- Representative of the Local Self-Government if the parents did not declare about the birth and it was known to the Local Self-Government.

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