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## Decree of the President of Ukraine

### On Additional Measures for Implementation of Human Rights on Freedom of Movement and Free Choice of Places of Residence

In order to materialise the Constitutional human rights for freedom of movement and free choice of places of residence and to ensure compliance with the international commitments of Ukraine in this sphere, I decree:

1. To establish that, starting from July 1, 2001, registration of foreigners, who enter Ukraine according to established procedures and registration of their passport documents, shall be made only in border checkpoints at the state border of Ukraine by bodies of the State Committee for the State Border Security of Ukraine. Further registration of foreigners, who stay temporarily and legally at the territory of Ukraine and their passport documents by bodies of the Ministry of Interior, shall not be made.
2. The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine shall:
  - submit the draft Migration Program of Ukraine for 2002 - 2005 for review by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, before August 1, 2001;
  - submit, before October 1, 2001, proposals for phase-out of permit-based procedures of selection of places of residence (the institution of *propiska*), stipulating measures to ensure full materialisation of human rights and freedoms, guaranteed by the Constitution of Ukraine;
  - analyse, before November 1, 2001, progress in enforcement of the due migration-related laws, legislative acts of the President of Ukraine and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and take measures to ensure compliance with these acts by all executive bodies and local authorities;
  - ensure implementation of broad public awareness raising activities to inform the residents of the country on provisions of the Constitution of Ukraine and legislative acts of Ukraine, other laws and regulations, which define human rights and freedoms, by experts' presentations in mass-media outlets, publishing of science/practice comments, newsletters;
  - harmonise, before November 1, 2001, regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine with the Constitution of Ukraine and this Decree.
3. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine shall:
  - facilitate development of the framework of treaties and legal acts for migration management and for comprehensive protection of citizens of Ukraine abroad, accounting for specific features of countries of their stay;
  - submit, according to established procedures and before September 1, 2001, proposals on Ukraine's accession to the Convention on Refugee Status of 1951 and the Protocol on Refugee Status of 1967.

4. Central executive agencies and local authorities, shall, before December 1, 2001, harmonise their regulations on freedom of movement and free choice of places of residence with requirements of the Constitution of Ukraine.

The President of Ukraine

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Kyiv, June 15, 2001

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