

Oleh M. Yemets, Mykhaylo L. Hribov., Dmytro I. Rusnak. Role and place of international legal acts in the formation of legal enforcement against trafficking in human beings. The purpose of the article is to determine the role and place of UN international legal acts in the formation and development of legal support for combating trafficking in human beings, followed by the publication of the results obtained. This will facilitate the process of adapting the national legal system to the requirements of international treaties to which Ukraine is a party. It has been found that international legal acts in this area can cover almost all countries of the world, as well as only a number of states in a certain part of it. The first acts are adopted mainly by the UN General Assembly, or, for example, the International Labor Organization, which, although it was formed before the UN was founded, but is now its specialized Agency. The analysis of the content provisions these documents allowed us to determine the impact of each of them on the formation of the legal framework for combating trafficking in human beings.

Special mention should be made of the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others of 1949 and the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons Especially Women and Children of 2000. The 1949 Convention has been found more to address sexual issues rather than trafficking in human beings. The Protocol today plays a key role in the development of legal support for combating trafficking in human beings, as it provides a definition for this phenomenon that is now reflected in other later international treaties, as well as national legislation of various countries, although with some comments. This Protocol provides for a systematic approach to many issues arising in the work of law enforcement and other authorities, as well as during cooperation in countering this transnational crime. The obtained and published results can be used by scientists in further research in this area, as well as law enforcement officers in the combating human trafficking.

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