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Project name: “**Responding to Human Rights Violations and Empowering Citizens and Human Rights Defenders in Ukraine Activity**” (“**Human Rights in Action Program**”)

A three-year program (from 2014 to 2017) supported by **the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)** and implemented in Ukraine by **the Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union**

with the purpose of promoting and cultivating the culture of respect for human rights in Ukraine in line with European standards

Activity's objectives:

Objective 1: **Human rights monitoring and advocacy increased and strengthened**

Objective 2: **Strategic litigation increased**

Objective 3: **Awareness raising and citizen empowerment improved and increased**

Objective 4: **Educational Human Rights House – Chernihiv strengthened**

Objective 5: **Survivors of torture and conflict are made as whole as possible for their loss and harm**

The Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights acts as beneficiary of the Program.

Some remarks:

The Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union will use our resources – experience in conducting monitoring, strategic litigation, legal empowerment network (currently operating in 20 regions), diverse educational programs etc. – in order **to ensure that Ukraine complies with its international obligations and commitments in the sphere of human rights.**

The Activity will contribute to **establishment of effective system for enforcing decisions of international bodies**, shifting responsibility for human rights violations from general taxpayer to individual perpetrator.

UHHRU will also create the system **to document human rights violations** (particularly, in Donbas region) **based on equal treatment for all warring parties.**

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