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- The article 27 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights stipulates: «In those States in which ethnic, religious or linguistic minorities exist, persons belonging to such minorities shall not be denied the right, in community with the other members of their group, to enjoy their own culture, to profess and practice their own religion, or to use their own language”.

Could you elaborate on how this obligation correlates in Ukraine with the ongoing State’s policy aimed at the cutback of a number of Russian schools in defiance of the parents and pupils wishes, the exclusion of the Russian language from the scholar curriculum of the Ukrainian schools and the decision taken by the Constitutional Court of Ukraine on the obligatory doubling or subtitling in Ukrainian language of all films made abroad including the Russian ones?

- Could you please elaborate on the concept of “victim behavior” as it reflected in the Law on the Prevention of Violence in the Family? What were the reasons for including such a norm in the Ukrainian legislation?

- What is the legal basis for the 72 hours preventive detention of criminal suspects until being brought before the judge? Is the Ukrainian police still really obliged to fulfill the “arrest quotas”, as it mentioned in the OHCHR’s summary?