

Annex III

Biographical data form of candidates to the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)

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38 lines maximum**

Name and first name: Veniamin Alayev

Date and place of birth: October 9, 1979. Almaty, Kazakhstan

Working languages: Russian, English, Kazakh

Professional background: Motivated professional with 10+ years of experience in the field of human rights of persons with disabilities in Kazakhstan. Legal analysis and advice, capacity-building of representative organisations.

Educational background:
(5 lines maximum)

Almaty Management University, Master of business administration, GPA 3.56. The best graduate of 2013.
2002 Almaty State University named after Abay, Almaty
Financial and economic, Accounting and audit
Alumni of International Empower Exchange Program, USA; Alumni of ADA Inclusive Education program, Minnesota University, USA

Current position/function:
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- Chairman of the PA “Commission on the Rights of People with Disabilities named after Kairat Imanaliev”
- Conducting research, flash mobs, round tables, advocacy campaigns aimed at improving the quality of life of people with disabilities and full implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; - Assistance in employment, education of citizens with special needs;
- Legal advice, assistance in the elimination of legal illiteracy. - Work in social networks aimed at providing access to information about existing social protection programs for people with disabilities

Main professional activities:
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Currently, I am actively engaged in legislative activities. As part of the working groups of the Parliament, we have made changes to more than 50 legislative acts to implement the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. For the past three years, I have been the leader of the Financial Inclusion project, which aims to make financial services accessible to people with disabilities. At the same time, I am actively engaged in research activities in the aspect of the participation of people with disabilities in public and political life. I am the creator and admin of the Facebook group "Disability in Kazakhstan", which has more than 5,000 subscribers. In 2019, on my initiative, the Coalition of Human Rights Defenders of People with Disabilities of Kazakhstan was created, it includes 35 members from different regions of the country. Also in 2019, I was an independent speaker at the High Level Political Forum in New York

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture:

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Currently, I am the Chairman of the Board of the Support Center for People with Mental Disabilities. Previously, for two years he was a member of the National Preventive Mechanism for the Prevention of Torture in Kazakhstan. Within the framework of the mandate, together with a group of experts, I visited prisons, closed institutions for the prevention of torture. Co-author of the Alternative (Shadow) report on the situation of people with disabilities in Kazakhstan.

List of most recent publications in the field relevant to the mandate of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture:

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<https://rus.azattyq.org/a/o-pravah-lyudey-s-invalidnostyu-i-borbe-za-nih/31110131.html>

<https://informburo.kz/interview/veniamin-alaev-pravozashhitnik-o-finansovoi-inklyuzii-repressivnosti-kvot-i-statuse-invalidov-v-kazaxstane>

Research conducted by our organization:

<https://crpd.kz/category/obrazovanie/issledovaniya/>