

The Rights of Indigenous Peoples of the Arctic and Their Implementation Challenges

Права коренных народов Арктики и проблемы их реализации

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RESEARCH OBJECTIVE



To take an in-depth look into the correlation of effective norms of **international** and **national law** with the law-enforcement practice of states in protecting the indigenous peoples entitlements and identifying the main factors that impede the implementation of such legal institution

International Legal Sources



The right-protection of the Arctic indigenous peoples in the modern world



**United Nations Declaration on the Rights of
Indigenous Peoples**



Russian National Legal Sources



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- Federal Law of the Russian Federation on Guarantees of the Rights of Indigenous Small-numbered Peoples in the Russian Federation
- Federal Law of the Russian Federation on General Principles for Organizing Communities of Indigenous Small-numbered Peoples of the North, Siberia and the Far East of the Russian Federation
- Water Code of the Russian Federation
- Forest Code of the Russian Federation
- Federal Law of the Russian Federation on Wildlife
- Federal Law of the Russian Federation on the Fundamentals of Public Health in the Russian Federation
- Federal Law of the Russian Federation on Fisheries and Conservation of Aquatic Biological Resources

RESEARCH FINDINGS



- ❖ there is a **need** for a **new treaty** securing special mechanisms for safeguarding the Arctic peoples rights
(Its elaboration should involve State parties to the 1982 UNCLOS)
- ❖ such treaty should affirm the obligation of each Arctic state to take into account the **opinion** of representatives of **indigenous peoples** of the **Arctic** when regulating **legal relations with their participation**
- ❖ the **treaty** on rights protecting of Arctic indigenous peoples should contemplate a **mechanism for observing a balance** between the interests of **Arctic indigenous peoples** and **extracting businesses**

