## Delegation of Investigative Committee of Russia takes part in international child protection event



A delegation of the Investigative Committee of Russia headed by Yelena Leonenko, the Deputy Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia, took part in an international event - a round-table meeting devoted to investigation into offences against minors organised by the Investigative Committee of the Republic of Armenia.

In his welcoming speech, Avgan Hovsepyan, the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Republic of Armenia, stated that child protection was one of the key priorities for the world community.

Yelena Leonenko in her report thanked Avgan Hovsepyan, the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Republic of Armenia, for the opportunity to take part in the discussion of such an important and relevant subject. The Deputy Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia

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noted that the Russian Committee paid the utmost attention to investigation into crimes against minors. "In recent years, children more often become subject to unlawful acts. Crimes against their lives, rights and freedoms grow more cynical and shrewd," the Russian delegate underlined.

Yelena Leonenko said that Alexander Bastrykin, the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia, personally supervised most probes of the category, which had contributed to a significant increase in their detection and improved performance of authorities responsible for issues of upbringing and education of children and teenagers, their recreation and comprehensive development.

Yelena Leonenko also shared some results of a decade of work of the Investigative Committee. "We have built a significant expertise in investigation of offences against minors, have developed and implemented new investigative techniques, advanced forensics methods and methods of search for missing children. We have an extensive experience of international cooperation in this field; recently we have brought to justice Grozovsky who had tried to flee to Israel. Abramov was sentenced to 150 years of imprisonment in California for the offences he had committed in Moscow. Kropochkin, being a member of an international network of child pornography distributors detected with assistance of our foreign colleagues, was sentenced in Novosibirsk."

Representatives of the Investigative Committees of the two countries also took part in the event and shared opinions on specific nature of protecting minors from criminal violations.

Yelena Leonenko noted, "Successful fight against crime in the modern world is possible only in terms of joint effort of all countries; exchange of experience between law enforcement authorities is imperative condition for its efficiency." To sum up, the parties ensured that the stand of both Committees remains the same - the inevitability of punishment for a committed crime must be secured, despite new challenges and threats.

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## Изображения



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