

**Organisation: Soyuz-Chernobyl**

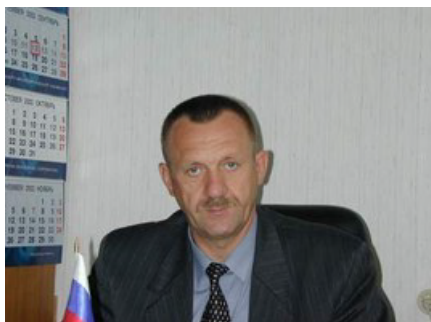
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After Chernobyl a lot of non-governmental and governmental organizations were founded. The main theme of their activity was connected with Chernobyl and nuclear energy in general.



One of them is non-governmental organization “Soyuz-Chernobyl” (Union Chernobyl). “Soyuz-Chernobyl” of Russia was founded on 10th of December 1990, as the all-Russian non-governmental organization.

In 1998 it was re-registered as the All-Russian non-governmental organization of invalids Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia. Since 2005 on the present is the All-Russian conjunction of non-governmental associations «Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia». Now the director of the main office of Soyuz-Chernobyl is Grischin Vjacheslav.



Among of the main objectives and problems this organization are the protection of the rights and legal interests of a lot of categories of Russian citizen, for example,

\* the citizens who received or have transferred radiation sickness and other diseases, connected with radiating influence owing to accident on the Chernobyl NPP, other radiating failures and accidents or with works on liquidation of consequences of such failures and accidents;

- \* invalids owing to accident on the Chernobyl NPP, other radiating failures and accidents;
- \* participants of liquidation of consequences of accident on the Chernobyl NPP, failure in 1957 at production association "Majak" and dumps of a radioactive waste in the river Techa;
- \* participants of tests of the nuclear and thermonuclear weapon, liquidation of failures of nuclear installations on means of arms and military facilities;
- \* the citizens evacuated, moved or left the zones of radioactive pollution constantly living (living) or working (working) on territory of zones of radioactive pollution;
- \* children of the first and the subsequent generations which were born after a radioactive irradiation of one of parents from among citizens, was exposed to influence of radiation owing to accident on the Chernobyl NPP, other radiating failures and accidents;
- \* members of families of the died or lost citizens, was exposed to influence of radiation owing to accident on the Chernobyl NPP, other radiating failures and accidents;

Another main task of this organization is assistance and participation in social supports of citizens, attraction of attention of state structures and the public to their problems.

And in all their interviews they said about importance of the propagation of measures and assistance to preparation of the population to overcoming of consequences of radiating, technological and ecological failures and accidents, rendering assistance injured with such failures and accidents. Assistance to civil defence bodies in the prevention and liquidation of emergency situations. They said that if all Russians will know about such measures their life will be more comfortable and safety.

One more point of their mission is assistance of activity in sphere of patriotic education, culture (including literary, musical and art creativity) and educations, preventive maintenance and health protection, propagation of a healthy way of life, versatile and harmonious development of the person, improvement of vital conditions and a moral and psychological condition of citizens. Assistance to protection of surrounding environment, to the due maintenance of objects and the territories having nature protection value.

As a part of Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia is: about 100 thousand invalids, from among the citizens who were taking part in liquidation of consequences Chernobyl and other radiating failures and accidents, the nuclear tests living in polluted territories. Into structure of Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia enters 70 regional organizations consisting from city and regional (1320 organizations).

In 4 regional public Chernobyl organizations of invalids it is created on one enterprise, invalids using work.

The basic actions spent for 2006-2009:

- \* the All-Russia scientifically-practical conference with the international participation «Pressing questions of medical and social rehabilitation of citizens, was exposed to radiation influence (Tomsk, on February, 21-22st 2008r.)
- \* Joint session of Inter-regional Council on Central Federal District, administrations of the Kostroma region, with participation Party "United Russia" "About ways of the decision of problems of citizens, was exposed to radiation influence at federal and regional levels" (Kostroma, on October, 22nd 2008r.)

- \* Realization of the project of Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia «Socially-legal and rehabilitation help to citizens, victims owing to radiating failures and accidents (2008-2009).
- \* For 2008 and 1st quarter 2009 representatives of Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia participated in more 2 thousand judicial civil cases, on protection of the rights of invalids and widows.
- \* Organized improvement over 200 children of Chernobyl, is fitted a prosthesis 3 children (2008). During the summer period of 2009 it will be improved over 250 children of Chernobyl.
- \* In November, 2008 are summed up annual Competition of creativity «Chernobyl star».
- \* With participation of Soyuz-Chernobyl of Russia and its regional organizations
  - o it has published more than 25 books, albums
  - o 3 video films are created
  - o it has equipped 12 museums and museum expositions
  - o it has built 11 monuments and memorial blackboards to heroes of Chernobyl
  - o it presented and awarded by state awards for courage and heroism over 6 thousand invalids of Chernobyl.

I think some other information can be of interest:

From 14<sup>th</sup> April 2010 Soyuz-Chernobyl have their own awards for merits in liquidation of consequences of radiating, technological and ecological failures and accidents, rendering assistance by the victim in such failures and accidents, and also for the considerable contribution to the activity of Soyuz-Chernobyl:



For 20 years after building of "Shelter"



In memory of accident on the Chernobyl NPP



25 years

And this organization has its own newspaper which called Russian Chernobyl.



All this information I found on their website:<http://souzchernobyl.ru/>