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## **THE CONFLICT-OF-LAW METHOD IN INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE LAW**

The conflict-of-law method (CLM) is an important tool in the field of private international law. This method is used to resolve questions about which law will apply to a particular case that has an international element. It is one of the main principles of the MLA and ensures legal stability and predictability in international relations.

Conventions adopted by the international community are one of the main sources of CPM. For example, the Rome Convention on the Law Applicable to Contractual Obligations (1980) regulates the activities of the parties to international contracts and defines the law applicable to the contract [5].

National legislation is also an important source of CPM. Most countries have their own laws on private international law that determine the procedure for resolving conflicts of law. Each country may have its own peculiarities, so the definition of the competent law may differ depending on the specific case.

However, CPM has its drawbacks. For example, it can lead to a situation where the parties cannot understand which law will apply to their case, which can delay the resolution of the case and increase the costs of legal services. In addition, CPM may be unfair because the law applicable to the case may not be known to the parties, or may not meet their needs and expectations [1, p. 153–155].

In addition, the conflict-of-law method allows to ensure legal stability and predictability in international relations, which is important for the development of international trade and investment. Application of the conflict-of-law method allows to ensure the choice of law, which will be applied to the legal relations between the parties, and helps to ensure the equality of the parties [3, p. 97].

In order to achieve these goals, it is important to properly apply the conflict of laws rules, which establish the procedure for resolving conflicts between the legal norms of different countries. Conflict of laws rules are contained in international conventions, laws and other legal acts of countries, as well as in court decisions.

It is also important to study the conflict-of-law method within the framework of international private law, which is a separate branch of law and regulates legal relations containing an element of an international component. In Ukraine, private international law is regulated by the Economic Code of

Ukraine, the Civil Code of Ukraine and other normative legal acts.

Therefore, the conflict-of-law method is an important element of international private law and international relations in general. It ensures the determination of the competent law to resolve the conflict of norms of different countries and contributes to the creation of legal stability and predictability in international relations. For the successful application of this method, it is important to comply with the relevant conflict of law rules contained in international agreements, treaties and laws of countries.

One of the most important sources of conflict law are the conventions of the Hague Conference on Private International Law, such as the Convention on the Law Applicable to Obligations under Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (1980), Convention on the Law Applicable to Obligations, Convention on the Agreement on International Carriage of Goods (1956), Convention on the Law Applicable to Obligations from an International Credit Agreement (1984), etc. [6]

It is also important to know the national conflict-of-law law of the countries with which international relations are conducted. For example, Ukrainian conflict of law is contained in the Economic Code of Ukraine, the Civil Code of Ukraine and relevant laws.

It is also important to note that in recent years, new problems have arisen in the application of the conflict-of-law method in international private law, related to the development of electronic commerce and the globalization of markets. So, for example, in connection with the growth of the number of international online trading platforms, it becomes more difficult to determine the competent law and resolve conflicts arising in connection with the conclusion of electronic contracts.

Therefore, the conflict-of-law method is an important tool in international private law that ensures stability and predictability in international relations. Its application is based on the relevant conflict of law rules, which determine the competent law for resolving the conflict of rules of different countries.

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