

## Annual Report – 2009

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### The Brief review of the significant events in 2009

The National Library of Armenia is the biggest cultural centre of the country. In 2009 135 mass measures were organized in the library which included anniversary and thematic exhibitions, presentations of new books, meetings with men of science and culture, visits to municipal and 7 regional libraries by “Bibliobus”.

Delegations of librarians and individuals from Sweden, Iran, Germany and other countries visited the library.

In the current year the National Library visited the libraries of Karabakh, which had suffered in the war of liberation and donated numerous books.

In 2009 more than 500 articles, concerning those measures, were printed in the newspapers of Armenia and Diaspora, nearly 90 reports were shown by different TV canals.

The library is under the authority of the Ministry of Culture and coordinates all its actions with it.

### **The Main Indices of the work of NLA**

In 2009 the library got 44743 units of literature. Its total fund, up to 01.01.2010, is 6714216 units.

The main sources of completing the funds were: free compulsory copies, purchase of books and other types of publications, subscription to periodical publications, book exchange (international) and gifts.

In 2009 the funds of the library were added by the following types of the printed publications: books, magazines, newspapers, maps, publications of arts, atlases, notes, disks, money signs, stamps, postcards, CD, DVD, photos, calendars, etc.

The NLA has a depository of the materials of the United Nations Organization, the World Bank, NATO and other international social organizations.

In the current year the literature of the library was used by 25855 readers, the amount of visitors was 276255; the giving out of books and other publications was 1526639 units.

Year after years the relationship with other libraries, universities, informational centers and individuals from foreign countries is more and more improving and strengthening.

The partners of NLA in the frames of book exchange were 160 organizations and individuals from 44 countries.

On the basis of the NLA a program of creating a single informational electronic net is being realized among the libraries of Armenia. The goal of the program is to show the full-bodied reflection of the total funds of the big libraries of Armenia in the free electronic catalogue. At the end of 2009 that catalogue consisted of 2, 5 million units.

The National Library of Armenia is the member of IFLA, BAE and CENL.