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Increasing social and economic heterogeneity of the region poses a serious threat not only to the social and economic development of Russia and the territorial integrity of the Russian Federation and its economic and national security. To overcome these destructive processes is possible through a balanced spatial development of the regions of the Russian Federation. The paper clarifies the concept of "problem area", identified conditions (historical, geographical, fiscal, federative-subsidiary) the existence of problematic regions, suggests ways to revise the budget redistributive policies; described content of the principle of subsidiarity.

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