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The State of Information Security in Ukraine

The article analyzes the state of the information security in Ukraine in light of the Information Security Doctrine of Ukraine which was approved by the President's Decree of July 8, 2009. The adoption of the decree was an urgent matter, as the area of the state information security was not properly regulated. The Doctrine appeared six years after the Law of Ukraine on the Principles of National Security of Ukraine that offered ways to solve existing problems and formate the system of national interests' protection.

The aurthor proves that for the development of the state policy in the sphere of information security there is a need to determine national interests that are mostly endangered by different information threats.

The national idea seems to be vague and the society is diverse due to different political, economic, social, territorial, ethnic, religious background. The difference in national interests in modern Ukraine may lead to a political or ideological conflict, economic instability and other negative processes and phenomena. The creation of the national interests system is supposed to bring together uncontradictory and vital material, intellectual and cultural values, and will unite the Ukrainian people.

The author considers that the chapter on general provisions and other chapters of the doctrine do not take into account and actually omit new tendencies of the modern geopolitics according to which the domination of geopraphical factors has been denied and the sense of the notion and elements of the national security have been changed.

On the basis of the analysis the author comes to the conclusion that the content of the Information Security of Ukraine's Doctrine 2009 does not provide with a proper idea of the totality of the official views, targets, guidelines, activities aimed at implemention of the state policy for the purpose of early disclosure, prevention and neutralization of real and potential threats to information security.

The doctrine does not define important aspects of information security of Ukraine, namely functions of the state policy as an important element of the national security, organizational structure of public authorities and other actors and their

responsibilities for the implementation of the state policy in the sphere, coordination of subjects' activities in the sphere of information security of individuals, society and the state.

The document does not determine any threats to the vitally important interests of the state and does not offer any possible ways to prepare and collect strength, as well as to search means to stand against possible information confrontations with opponents and competititors, to prevent information aggression and use of information weapons and other negative influences on Ukraine.

The information security Doctrine provides only a framework, as well as measures and means in the information sphere, which is a sphere of circulation of information and media activities. Taking the above mentioned into account it is worth stating that the determination of principles of the state policy in the information security shpere will serve a proper basis for the development and implementation of strategies, doctrines, programs, plans of the information security in respective areas of life of individuals, society and state.

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