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INDICATORS OF POLITICAL SAFETY OF THE STATE

For the state, for all social systems ensuring national and political security as one of its most important components, is the most priority area of activity. Insurance of the national security is a complex activity requiring not only adequate resources and the definition of quantitative and qualitative characteristics of probable threats, but also the definition of the limit values of their existence, i.e. safety indicators.

The term “political security” should be understood as the level of protection of national interests in the political sphere. The provision of political security involves such a state of legal norms and relevant security institutions that guarantee the protection of political sovereignty, territorial integrity, political independence and constitutional order of the state, that is, the ability of the nation and its social institutions to implement an independent internal and external policy.

In modern political science, attempts are made to isolate the indicators of political security, which determine the possible challenges and threats to the political security of the state, although today neither domestic nor foreign researchers have unambiguous definition of the concept and system of indicators of national and political security. Existing developments are still small and fragmented.

Indicators of political security are signals, indications of danger. Such indicators are usually political events, processes, manifestations, information, effects that allow to identify in advance the dangers, their nature, sources, orientation, scale and the possible time of their beginning. The function of such indicators is to predict and prevent the threshold or dangerous changes in the political state. The rejection of measured parameters of these indicators from the determined as the optimal level of the state of political security is evidence of threatening influences. Exaggeration of a certain threshold level of such a deviation (negative or positive – depending on the indication parameter) can be an indication of the state of political danger.

In our opinion, the indicators of political security of the state are: absence of obstacles and restrictions of political rights and freedoms of citizens; the presence of political opposition; justice and the correspondence of the state-political system to national interests; political power and geopolitical status of the country; the effectiveness of politics and public administration, expressed in the ability to vigorously overcome crises, provide recovery and sustainable development; trust and voluntary support of power by a majority of society; political stability.

At the same time, the criteria for determining the indicators of political security in Ukraine are real and potential threats to political security; as well as determination of conformity of the purposes stated in the basic normative-legal acts: the Constitution of Ukraine, the Strategy of National Security of Ukraine, the Bills of Ukraine “About the Fundamentals of National Security of Ukraine”, “About the Principles of Internal and Foreign Policy” to their realization and security in the socio-political and the legal field.

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