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## CHARACTERISTICS OF MAIN CATEGORIES OF SERVICEMEN OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OF UKRAINE

Paper considers the characteristics of classification of the distribution of servicemen of the National Guard of Ukraine to groups. Considering the legal status of servicemen of the National Guard of Ukraine (hereinafter – NGU military personnel), it is impossible not to disregard the heterogeneity of this particular social group. On the one hand, it is endowed with common features typical of this group, and on the other hand, each NGU serviceman is a person endowed with only a certain set of certain attributes, which is conditioned by the following factors: the type of military service on which the serviceman is located, his position and appointment of the unit in which he is in service, the nature of his professional activities, which, in turn, forms the legal status of the latter.

The allocation of certain categories of NGU servicemen, that is, the distribution of them according to the types of common features, will allow to elaborate on their legal status, to distinguish the essential and specific characteristics of the NGU servicemen,

which will serve to clarify the characteristics of military legal relations in general and promote further improvement of their legal regulation.

Characteristics of various categories of servicemen in science are mostly devoted to works on psychology, pedagogy, which is primarily due to theoretical and applied issues of the formation of personnel resources of the Armed Forces and other military formations, the military and professional orientation of young people when entering the military service, as well as the tasks for raising labor efficiency of military specialists. Instead, the issue of classification of military personnel in legal science is not sufficiently investigated.

As a result of the analysis of scientists' achievements V.A. Zhiltsov, O.V. Kudashkin, the provisions of current normative acts, as well as the materials of the official sites of the Center for the Promotion of Adaptation and Employment of Servicemen, the National Academy of the National Guard of Ukraine and the National Guard of Ukraine, the authors formulated a list of criteria for classification of NGU servicemen, in particular, according to the types of military service, the official and legal position, the official position, the profile of military and professional work, the presence of a serviceman

The advanced classification of NGU servicemen based on the developed criteria was suggested, while their general and special features were analyzed during the characterization of certain groups of servicemen.

The author's classification of servicemen of the National Guard of Ukraine, albeit rather conditional, is not exhaustive or permanent, but rather dynamic, at the same time, it is possible to more fully reflect the essence, characteristic features of this category of persons, establish interrelations between their different groups, and in the future, develop directions aimed at the improvement of legal relations, the subjects of which they are.

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