are only allowed to express opinions or convictions – especially philosophical, religious or political ones

Convictions – off duty and with the restraint required by the military profession, in accordance with the provisions of the Defense Act.

Within the framework of the internal dialogue set up within the military institution, they have at their disposal various representative and consultative bodies in which they can express themselves freely.

As soldiers of the law, gendarmes are subject to the duties and vague obligations arising from the general military status established in the Defense Act. They are also subject to the special duties associated with the conditions of being a gendarme.

**PECULIARITIES OF POLICE EQUIPMENT DURING MARTIAL LAW**

Police officers are everyday heroes who sacrifice their lives on a daily basis. Every minute of every day, police men and women work to protect cityzens. They catch criminals, break down their networks, and ensure justice is served against those people who don’t respect the importance of law and order.

A career in law enforcement isn’t easy, and police work is filled with rigorous physical and emotional demands. Preparation and training are a top priority for a police officer and the right police officer equipment is critical [1].

Saving your life while performing official duties is one of the most important tasks of a police officer, especially in the conditions of a full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation on the territory of Ukraine, and the right choice of equipment helps with this task, both for performing everyday official tasks and for direct combat contact.

The equipment of a police officer includes a uniform, equipment, weapons, special means, and the type of body armor vest worn will depend on their department’s requirements and threats that they may encounter [2], but in my opinion, when there are increased risks during the performance of police duties, certain elements of equipment, namely means of personal protection and means of providing pre-medical assistance, have acquired a generally important character, because, for example, if earlier an investigative-operational group worked on crime scene without means of
personal protection, today, this is extremely important, since police officers work under enemy fire.

Focusing on the means of personal protection and the means of providing pre-medical care, I propose to analyze what elements they consist of:

Personal protective equipment consists of helmets, bulletproof vests, and other special equipment. Body armor is an item of personal protective equipment that provides protection against specific ballistic threats within its coverage area. In this standard, the term body armor refers to that which provides coverage primarily for the torso. Personal body armor covered by this standard is classified into five types (IIA, II, IIIA, III, IV) by level of ballistic performance. In addition, a special test class is defined to allow armor to be validated against threats that may not be covered by the five standard classes [3].

 Provision of pre-medical assistance is carried out through means for temporary stopping of bleeding and medicines that reduce pain sensations in case of injury.

To summarize the information I already mentioned, I want to say that one of the most important factors that affect the performance of any police officer is the quality of his uniform and equipment. That is why ensuring our law enforcement with the best equipment is one of the most important conditions for safe and quality policing.

The faster it will be true the higher level of trust the population will become. Also, that fact will give our police officers more confidence and motivation to perform their duties.

FOREIGN EXPERIENCE OF FIGHTING ORGANIZED CRIME IN THE USA

Today our country is going through hard times. Many crimes have been committed. The police is involved in fighting for justice and providing legal assistance to citizens. Our country has no similar experience in fighting against crime during martial law. Therefore, it is necessary to use the foreign experience of colleagues and adapt it to our country.

Each country has developed its own system of crime control and crime prevention. Some countries have common or similar methods of fighting and preventing crimes.

Fighting crimes is an important function of the state, which means the activities of competent state bodies to respond to crime as a social phenomenon, eliminate and prevent negative consequences for society.