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ANTITERRORIST ACTIVITY OF THE MINISTRY
OF PUBLIC SECURITY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF CHINA

In June 1982, the Central Committee of the Communist Party
of China decided to set up parts of the People's Armed Police (PAP)

is a component of the armed forces of the PRC. Like the People's Liberation Army (PLA), they belong to the regular formations of the Armed Forces. In April 1983, it was established by the General Staff HBM, which is simultaneously the head of the commander of its troops.

At the present stage of development of the people's armed police, namely in August 2009, it was adopted by a separate law, which recognized for this leading role of law enforcement agencies to counter various threats to public safety. Approved at the 10th session of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPCSC) 11th convocation, it provides for new responsibilities for the People's Armed Police, regarding the response to the riots, terrorist attacks and other threats to public safety.

According to the Chinese legislators, PAP has played a crucial role in enforcing public order during the riots in Tibet in 2008 and the massive acts of violence on the streets of the administrative center of Urumqi, Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region in July 2009. Experts point out the particular importance of the law, which was finally adopted in the second reading, although usually it requires consideration at its three sessions.

The troops of the People's Armed Police (total population about 1.3 million) are in double subordination: the State Council and the Central Military Commission of the PRC. The personnel of the PAP is guided by general military regulations and instructions, enjoys equal to the People's Liberation Army of China's rules and regulations allowances.

The basis of the people's armed police forces up internal security, directly subordinate to the General Staff of PAP, and Border Guard forces, internal security and fire protection, under the command of the Ministry of Public Security. In addition, under the dual leadership of both on the part of PAP, and the relevant departments of the State Council are forces forest protection, security of gold, road-building, as well as army building and protection of hydropower facilities.

The People's Armed Police of China carried out a single control and command separate the stairs.

Within the administrative and territorial division of China at the level of provinces, counties and townships established respectively consolidated (Division), combined (regiment) and

medium-sized units (company) troops PAP. Directly subordinate to the commander of the PAP 14 divisions maneuvering designed to harness the entire territory of China.

Institutions of training officers are subordinate to the commander of HBM, a school for junior commanders - commanders in charge.

The service in the people's armed police carried on a mixed mandatory and voluntary basis.

On the staff of PAP has the following objectives:

- protection of the central and local party and government organs, forced labor and prison, the most important industrial and communications, foreign diplomatic missions;

- ensuring the safety of border areas of the country and control over the observance of the border regime, and checking persons and vehicles crossing the border;

- the maintenance of public order in major cities and specific areas of the fight against organized crime, the suppression of anti-government protests and riots;

- implementation of measures to apprehend armed criminals;

- conducting operational activities in an emergency situation in the country;

- participation in disaster relief and law enforcement in the course of this activity.

In peacetime, the troops of the People's Armed Police are mainly duty service and solve unexpected problems for the protection of the rule of law, carry out tasks in the fight against terrorism, as well as to assist States in the field of economic development.

Duty function assumes sentry duty on the protected sites and patrols to ensure the rule of law. Daily outfit soldiers PAP allocated to carry duty service, is about 260 thousand. Man.

Solution unexpected problems policing involves the suppression of unlawful acts of mass actions, undermining the stability of the intra-political situation. So, on the eve of the Beijing Olympic Games in 2008, riots broke out in Lhasa (capital of Tibet Autonomous Region), where protests by the indigenous escalated into riots, burning cars and property, as well as in clashes with security forces. In these circumstances, the Chinese leadership has put in additional parts of Tibet People's Armed Police, which played

a major role in suppressing the pockets of resistance and restoring law and order.

In addition to the above functions troops PAP perform specific tasks in the fight against terrorism. Formed in December 2002, the assault force "Snow Leopard" is one of the elite anti-terrorist units in China. Organizational and it is part of Beijing's consolidated unit PAP. Combat and special training for "Snow Leopard" conducted more than 50 training subjects. In their arsenal there are a variety of weapons, special and engineering technology, modern means of communication and reconnaissance, including unmanned aerial vehicles.

Since the establishment of the detachment had to take part in anti-terrorist exercise "Great Wall 2004" and "Yanyyan-2006", as well as several joint exercises with units of the PLA and the Ministry of Public Security in 2007 and 2008. "Snow Leopard" successfully performs tasks to ensure the safety of foreign delegations arriving in China, protect their country's diplomats in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The troops of the People's Armed Police are widely involved in fighting forest fires and other natural disasters. Over the past three years, they put out more than 500 forest fires, rescued and evacuated from the disaster area more than 250 thousand. Man. In October 2008, fires in the Greater Hinggan (Northeast China) involved over 11 thousand soldiers. In the same year in the aftermath of a strong earthquake in the territory of Wenham County (Southwest China) took part 13 thousand. Soldiers PAP.

Medical staff PAP as part of rescue teams assisted China in international relief operations in the aftermath of the earthquakes in Iran, Pakistan and Indonesia.

Help PAP economic construction of the state is mainly in the implementation of geological exploration of gold deposits, gold mines and the protection of places of storage of gold reserves of the state, the construction of transport facilities and the protection of national importance (airports, bridges and tunnels on the railroad tracks and highways, pipelines, television and radio stations), as well as in the protection of waterworks and forest resources of the country.

In wartime, the formation of PAP, together with the PLA and militia involved in ensuring the territorial defense of the country,

anti-reconnaissance and sabotage units of the enemy, protection of rear areas and carrying out activities of civil defense.

Thus, the Chinese People's Armed Police Force is an important component for maintaining law and order in the country. Under current guidelines issued by the military-political leadership of China is actively developing theoretical provisions on the organization of actions of troops PAP in various crisis situations. Their equipment come with modern technology and weaponry. This is important in view of the country's centers of social unrest related to the activities of separatist forces, especially in the Xinjiang Uygur and Tibet autonomous regions; there is a risk of natural disasters and manmade disasters.