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STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS OF ORGANIZED CRIME COUNTERACTION IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Success in the global combating drug trafficking and people trafficking, the problems concerning transnational organized crime and money laundering, requires interconnected national, regional and international strategies based on global mutual cooperation.

In most cases, law enforcement agencies establish existence of three main forms of organized crime, defined by the form of organization:

an organized criminal group;

an organized criminal squad;

an organized criminal organization.

An organized criminal group is the association of two or more individuals united to commit criminal offences to get profit derived from crime. The main traits of such a group are: 1) a sufficiently high level of organization; 2) a hierarchy (made up of organizers, the leader of the group, spies, etc.); 3) strict discipline; 4) the use of family; friends; 5) ethnic ties and area links; 6) the availability of relations among corrupt officials.

An organized criminal squad is the unity of two or more criminal groups with one or more different criminal activities, joined by an organizing chain.

An organized criminal organization is the most sustainable, complex and hierarchical criminal formation. It is the highest level of criminal participation. [3]

Drug trafficking was not only unavoidably associated with violence and organized crime, in some countries it is linked with terrorist activities. It was connected with other criminal activities, such as money laundering, human trafficking, illegal weapons turnover and corruption. All mentioned above, consolidation of efforts in organized crime combating is an essential condition for social development. [1]

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