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of the dissertation of
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**„IMPROVING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE STRUCTURES OF THE
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AFFAIRS IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS“**

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1. Relevance and significance of the developed scientific problem

In scientific studies in the field of security, the potential threats to the security of the country and its development have been repeatedly analyzed. The current dissertation examines the effectiveness of the structures of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in managing emerging crisis events, differing to a large extent from those known so far, requiring new knowledge and new capabilities to respond to challenges. Proceeding from the presumption that for the development of a social system there should be a continuous effort to acquire new knowledge and skills to deal with emerging new types of emergency situations, the author proves that it is necessary to improve the management processes of the structural units in the Ministry of Internal Affairs in order to acquire new abilities.

The topic of the dissertation corresponds to the content. It analyzes the management process in crisis events, presenting it as a dynamic and complex process, in which activities complex in volume and content are carried out, often in very limited terms, with the participation of a significant number of officials. That is why the doctoral student puts emphasis above all on contingency planning and presents an optimized model for management decision-making.

The presented new vision for the management of the structures of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in emergency situations should be tested in a real environment, using the System proposed by the author for automating the management process in the Ministry of Internal Affairs in emergency situations. The indicated main directions for improving the preparation of the authorities for managing the structures of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in emergency situations are in line with the increased expectations of society for an adequate response of the state authorities in the event of crisis events.

2. Evaluation of the scientific results and contributions of the dissertation work

The achieved scientific results largely reflect the author's accumulated knowledge about the management of a structural unit in the Ministry of Internal

Affairs, responsible for the logistical support of the ministry. The proposals for optimization of management processes are made on the basis of analytical research and correspond to good practices in the field of security.

Two groups of scientific contributions stand out, which reflect Stiliyan Krotnev's achievements. As a scientific contribution of the dissertation, I can define the decision-making model proposed by the author, developed after a critical analysis of management functions and fixation of their role in the management of the structures of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in emergency situations.

As scientific and applied, the author's contribution in the development of a System for automating the management process, supporting decision-making in planning and management, with the ability to solve specific problems arising in crisis situations, stands out.

The obtained results of the conducted research can serve for the development of state policy and changes in the legal regulation of individual elements of the system for the protection of the population in the event of disasters.

3. Opinion on the presence or absence of plagiarism

I am not aware of any other development corresponding to the topic of the dissertation work, and I do not detect the presence of plagiarism in the dissertation and/or in the publications on it.

4. Critical notes

In the presented dissertation, my critical note refers above all to the need for a stronger presence in the theoretical part of proposals for changes in the regulatory framework of the Ministry of the Interior's activities in emergency situations. This note does not call into question the general positive assessment of the dissertation work. My main recommendation is that the results of the research, in addition to the author's abstract and the publications on the subject, can and

should receive the necessary publicity through the publication of a book based on a protected dissertation work.

5. Conclusion

The dissertation work of Stiliyan Ognyanov Krotnev proposed for defense is in accordance with the norms of the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria, the rules for its implementation and the rules of the Higher School of Security and Economics, it represents a completed study with certain scientific and practical results and meets the requirements for obtaining the educational and scientific degree „doctor“.

6. Evaluation of the dissertation work

I give my positive assessment of the dissertation work on the topic "Improving the management of the structures of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in emergency situations" and propose to the respected members of the scientific jury to make a decision to award Stiliyan Ognyanov Krotnev the educational and scientific degree „doctor“

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