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HONOUR AND DIGNITY IN THE SYSTEM OF OBJECTS OF CRIMINAL LEGAL PROTECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CRIMINAL CODE OF UKRAINE

In the article, the analysis of objects of crimes, which are enshrined in the Chapter III of the Special Part of the Criminal Code of Ukraine, is made. Also the provisions of other articles, which protect dignity and honour, are analyzed. The essence of abovementioned legal issues are researched as objects of criminal legal protection, their correlation is made. It was proved, that the mechanism of encroachment on objects of crimes against dignity and honour of the individual, when dignity and honour are the main direct objects of crimes, obtains the following features:

1) information about the individual should be spread, published or saved for spreading, publishing;

2) information about the individual should be unreliable i. e. not true, otherwise the main direct object of the crime will be relations of personal privacy, not honour and dignity;

3) the main objective of the spreading of information should be derogation of

honour and dignity of the individual, not other objective (coercion to enter sexual intercourse, receiving the property, engaging in prostitution or commitment of an act of terrorism etc).

In case if the mechanism of encroachment on honour and dignity fulfils the mentioned features, such objects are the main direct objects of a crime. However, in the Criminal Code there are no crimes with such mechanism of encroachment on the object of a crime. The Chapter III of the Special Part of the Criminal Code should be supplemented with special article, in which the independent ground of criminal responsibility for encroachment on honour and dignity should be foreseen.

The further directions of scientific research of criminal responsibility should be analysis of experience of the states of Western Europe and states of the Commonwealth of Independent States concerning the grounds of criminal responsibility on mentioned objects.