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**ON DETERMINATION OF CONTINUITY GENERAL
FEATURES IN CRIMINAL LAW OF UKRAINE**

The development endlessness of any state legal system, including our state, is connected to the constant changes that occur in social, economic, political, scientific life. At the same time the guarantee of an adequate level of legal regulation of public relations, and, consequently, their protection by means of criminal law is not only the creation of new law, but also certain continuity, the borrowing of the best that has been established and proved its right to exist under the long testing.

Continuity is a very complex phenomenon that exists in many spheres, including legal. Describing it, we should note a few common moments, its general features (characteristics) that are immanent to continuity in every sphere of human existence. Thus, they can be overspread to continuity in criminal law.

First, continuity possesses universality. This property follows from the fact that continuity is one of the aspects of

development that in turn permeates life. Universality of continuity concerning law means not only that it is present in law at all stages of its development. However, universality does not deny that «continuity in law is the specific historical category», that is present in a particular stage of development of society, it inevitably acquires some different features and characteristics.

Secondly, continuity possesses such feature as objectivity. Continuity is determined by many factors, among which there are objective regularities and human (not as an abstract figure, but as individual with its own interests).

Third, continuity should correlate with recurrence. These categories are different, but not isolated from each other. But none of each phenomenon should be absolutized, as in this case the absolutisation either linear or cyclic development can appear.