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ACTIVITIES OF THE PATROL POLICE IN GERMANY

The primary task of the police is to fight crimes and to protect people from dangers. That is why the motto of police in Germany is “The police are your friend and helper”. The police in Germany have nothing to do with the intelligence agency or politics. Law enforcement in Germany is the responsibility of the 16 states (Bundesländer), there are some differences among them. Every state police agency has a website where citizens can interact with the police or get information. Generally, the local and regional police in Germany are divided into two main types. Serious crimes such as rape, murder, assault, or grand theft are dealt with by the Kripo (short form for Kriminalpolizei). Kripo officials do not wear uniform. Traffic offences and minor disturbances of the peace are handled by the Schupo (Schutzpolizei), more like the officer on the beat or uniformed police in the US. The city police usually fall under the control of each Land, but in some states there are also city police departments.

The Police in Germany contain the following subdivisions: autobahnpolizei (are responsible for patrolling the high-speed autobahns), wasserschutzpolizei (patrol rivers, coastlines, and large lakes within the state). The National Police in Ukraine differs from the Police in Germany. It is divided into a number of different services. Each force has internal subdivisions. This leaves the police service with many specialized branches which can more specifically target certain types of crime and apply more expert knowledge in the investigation of cases relating to their area of policing.

The Police in Ukraine contain the following subdivisions: Criminal Police (investigation and prevention of serious and violent crime), Department in fight against drug-related crime, Department of Cyber Police (fighting against cybercrimes), Department of Economic Security, Department of Patrol Police (general law enforcement operations, traffic policing and patrol duty (include riot police divisions), number of municipal administrations, Department of Police Security (has nothing to do with the State Security Administration).

For both countries Patrol Police Tasks are: to patrol neighbourhoods in order to prevent and stop crimes and threats to safety, to coordinate community work and outreach, to offer educational services, to arrest offenders and suspects, collect evidence, and testify about cases, to respond to incidents and complaints, document interactions, and collect evidence. The National Police must always protect and help peaceful people. It must prevent and stop crimes.

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