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*Dear participants!*

This year, Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs holds the International scientific and practical conference for the fourth time. This Conference is focused on the issues of training police officers in terms of the reform of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine.

The topic and areas of this scientific event are extremely relevant, since the full development of the national law-enforcement system and the National Police system is impossible without proper human resourcing, the key element of which is the training process of the personnel in accordance with the best domestic and international standards.

Nowadays, the main areas of further development of the training system of police officers are defined by the Strategy for the Development of the Ministry of Internal Affairs up to 2020, the Concept of Education Reform within the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine dated from November 25, 2016, the Concept for Implementing the Three-Level Model of Police Officers' Training dated from January 29, 2018, the order of the Ministry of Internal Affairs dated from June 6, 2018 No. 479 "On Improving the Training of Police Officers in Higher Educational Institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs". These areas are:

- development and improvement of curricula, educational programs in accordance with relevant problems of professional activity of the National Police agencies and units;
- establishment of effective interaction between higher educational institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and practical units of the National Police aimed at the quality of selection of candidates for training and specialists' training;
- strengthening of the practical component within the training of cadets of higher educational institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, as well as in the process of initial training and post-graduate education of the officers of the National Police;
- development of the logistics of higher educational institutions through the creation of training areas, training ranges, specialized classes and locations for training practical and professional skills;
- involvement of the best specialists and trainers into the police training process, establishment of cooperation with international educational institutions that fulfill training of police officers.

The aforementioned strategic tasks oblige the whole staff of higher educational institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and in particular Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs to find new forms and methods of pedagogical work, expansion of the areas of personnel training.

In this regard, I would like to note that in order to respond promptly and adequately to the challenges and threats faced by Ukrainian society, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine has planned the Unified Aviation Safety System of the population.

In the framework of this work and in accordance with the order of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine dated from March 13, 2019, No. 186-R, Kremenchuk Flight college of National Aviation University became a part of the structure of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and was transferred to Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs as a separate structural subdivision. I am sure that such a step will allow the University, first of all, to expand the list of areas and specialties for training future police officers, to improve the logistics, to involve highly qualified practical specialists into the educational process.

Besides, the Sumy branch of the University will train cadets and students of this year within the specialty “Law Enforcement Activity”, which becomes a significant step in the development of police activities in Sumy region, as well as strengthens the staffing of the Main Directorate of the National Police in Sumy oblast.

It should be also noted that nowadays the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine together with the National Police conducts an experiment, when the cadets of higher educational institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs trained in the field of “Law Enforcement Activity” have the opportunity to gain experience on the positions in practical police units and to continue their own training according to the “cadet-student” model.

The outlined steps of reforming the departmental education and the initiated areas of training specialists at Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs require the scientific and pedagogical staff to introduce new approaches to the organization of educational process, namely:

- optimization of the normative and legal base for the regulation of the training system of future police officers;
- development of the system of professional selection;
- improvement of the organization of tactical and special, firearms, physical and psychological training of police officers;
- updating methodological support of police officers training in accordance with the requirements of the present day.

The participants of our scientific and practical event will work within these areas.

We have to emphasize that a modern Ukrainian police officer is associated not only to a new uniform and new attributes, but above all to knowledge and skills that will be used in everyday work in order to serve to the Ukrainian people and the state.

I am convinced that those scientific propositions, developments and experience set forth in the theses of your reports and while discussing the issues raised at the plenary and session meetings will be the basis for further joint work and development of the relevant propositions and recommendations aimed at improving the training of specialists for the agencies and units of the National Police of Ukraine.

**I WISH FRUITFUL WORK TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE CONFERENCE!  
GLORY TO UKRAINE!**