

Oleh M. Yemets, Dmytro I. Rusnak. The actors of counteraction human trafficking, their general characteristics and powers in this area. The purpose of the article is to identify the entities that carry out measures to combat trafficking in human beings in Ukraine, as well as to provide them with a general description and disclose powers in this area. In Ukraine, the law defines the entities that implement measures to counteract human trafficking, and such counteraction, in turn, is a system of measures aimed at overcoming human trafficking by preventing and combating it and helping and protection to victims of human trafficking. These entities include the President of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, central executive authorities, local executive bodies, foreign diplomatic missions of Ukraine, as well as institutions for assistance to victims of human trafficking. Their general powers in this area are also defined by law.

The National Police of Ukraine plays a leading role in the structural and functional support of counteraction human trafficking, primarily in the combating against human trafficking. Police is part of the Ministry of internal Affairs and is the Central Executive body that serves the society by ensuring the protection of human rights and freedoms, combating crime, and maintaining public security and order. In order to provide functional support for the implementation of its tasks in the field of counteraction human trafficking, the Criminal Police has formed a separate operational unit – the Department for Combating Crimes Related to Trafficking in Human Beings. However, considering the specifics of committing such crimes, depending on the certain circumstances, other units of the National Police of Ukraine may be involved, such as the Cyberpolice Department, as well as covert ones, that is, the Department of Operational Service and the Department of Operational and Technical measures. The obtained and published results can be used by scientists in further research in this area, as well as law enforcement officers in the combating human trafficking.

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