

Pilipenko Ya. Demarcation configures "military conflict", "armed conflict" and "war"

The article examines the etymological content of the concepts of «military» (voyenny) and «military» (viys'kovyy). It is established that the concept of «military» (viys'kovyy) refers to the army or relates to a serviceman. The concept of «military» (voyenny) refers to the war, associated with it. Consequently, the author established that in relation to the conflict, the use of the concept of «military conflict» (voyenny) is appropriate. In the Military Doctrine of Ukraine military conflict is defined as «the form of resolving interstate or national conflicts with the bilateral application of military force; the main types of military conflicts are war and armed conflict».

In the Military Doctrine of Ukraine armed conflict is defined as «armed collision between states (inter- national armed conflict, armed conflict at the state border) or between the warring parties in the territory of one state, usually with support from the outside (internal armed conflict)». Consequently, armed conflict is a conflict of any level, the main feature of which is the use of weapons.

The war means a socio-political phenomenon associated with the radical change in the nature of relations between states, folks, nations, classes and social groups opposing sides and the transition from the use of non-violent forms and methods of struggle to the direct use of weapons and other violent means to solve certain social political, economic, ideological, as well as national, religious, territorial and other contradictions. Thus, the author singled out common and distinctive features of the concepts of «military conflict», «armed conflict» and «war». Consequently, the common in these concepts are the subjects of interaction, namely, the states or conflicting parties in the middle of one state and the presence of the use of weapons. Demarcation of these concepts may be carried out according to the criterion of the motives of occurrence. That is, political motives that are necessary for the emergence of a military conflict and war are not necessary for the emergence of an armed conflict. Such a criterion is central to the demarcation of the «military conflict» and «war» from the «armed conflict».

The distinctive features of «war» from «armed conflict» and «military conflict» is the formal act of its announcement; the rupture of diplomatic relations and the cancellation of bilateral agreements between the warring parties; the introduction of a special legal regime; qualitative change in the state of society.

The author suggests the connection between these concepts with general, special and individual categories. Where is the notion of «military conflict», which is generic in relation to «war» and «armed conflict». In turn, the «armed conflict» is special, and the concept of «war» is individual category.

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