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### MOTIVATIONAL BASIS OF ACTS OF CORRUPTION

The formation of a civil society in Ukraine and establishing it as the rule of law requires the activity of public authorities in many areas, one of the most important of which is to overcome corruption.

An issue of research of motivation of corruption was considered by such prominent scientists as M.I. Melnyk, Ye.V. Nevmerezhytskyi, V. Shehortsova, A.I. Redka, L.D. Haukman, and others.

The purpose of the article is the following. The authors make an attempt to give a psychological evaluation of the motivational behaviour of a corrupt official and legal assessment of corruption.

The article highlights the origin of the motivation of corruption. The concept and main features peculiar to corruption crimes and analyses their regulatory control.

Thus, understanding the motives of corruption and understanding of their mechanisms are very important both for the detection of offenses and their subjects. Furthermore, scientific understanding of the psychological content of these processes allows developing measures to combat corruption. It depends on the motive, which is a corrupt act, which subjective meaning it has for the official. Motives of activities of a corrupt official reflect the most typical for him or her ways of responding to certain elements of the surrounding (external) and hidden (internal) sphere. Directions for further scientific studies can be a way to identify the motives of corrupt activities and ways of influence on the identity of officials for the purpose of preventing corruption.