

РОЗДІЛ 2. ЕКОНОМІКА ТА УПРАВЛІННЯ НАЦІОНАЛЬНИМ ГОСПОДАРСТВОМ

STRATEGY OF ECONOMIC SECURITY OF UKRAINE IN THE LONG TERM

СТРАТЕГІЯ ЗАБЕЗПЕЧЕННЯ ЕКОНОМІЧНОЇ БЕЗПЕКИ УКРАЇНИ В ДОВГОСТРОКОВІЙ ПЕРСПЕКТИВІ

The article deals with the issues concerning the economic security of Ukraine in the strategic perspective. It is concluded that the alarming trends of deterioration of the socio-economic situation are extremely relevant to the development and implementation of the strategy of economic security of Ukraine. Economic security guarantees the state independence of Ukraine and is a condition of its progressive economic development and growth of citizens' welfare. The state strategy in the field of economic security is being worked out and implemented within the framework of the economic policy, the main priorities of which are to achieve sustainable economic status of the individual, social and economic stability of the society, the state, respect for the constitutional rights and freedoms of citizens, the rule of law and law-abiding of all without exception, including public authorities.

Key words: economic security, state, strategic perspective, economic development, welfare.

У статті розглянуто питання забезпечення економічної безпеки України в стратегічній перспективі. Зроблено висновок, що тривожні тенденції погіршення соціально-економічної ситуації надзвичайно актуалізували питання розроблення та реалізації стратегії забезпечення економічної безпеки України. Економічна безпека гарантує державну незалежність України й є умовою її прогресивного економічного розвитку та зростання добробуту громадян. Державна стратегія у сфері забезпечення економічної безпеки опрацьовується і реалізується у рамках здійснюваної економічної політики, основними пріоритетами якої є досягнення стійкого економічного становища особис-

тості, соціально-економічної стабільності суспільства, держави, дотримання конституційних прав і свобод громадян, законності і законслухняності всіх без винятку, включаючи органи державної влади.

Ключові слова: економічна безпека, держава, стратегічна перспектива, економічний розвиток, добробут.

В статье рассмотрены вопросы обеспечения экономической безопасности Украины в стратегической перспективе. Сделан вывод, что тревожные тенденции ухудшения социально-экономической ситуации чрезвычайно актуализировали вопрос о разработке и реализации стратегии обеспечения экономической безопасности Украины. Экономическая безопасность гарантирует государственную независимость Украины и является условием ее прогрессивного экономического развития и роста благосостояния граждан. Государственная стратегия в области обеспечения экономической безопасности прорабатывается и реализуется в рамках осуществляемой экономической политики, основными приоритетами которой являются достижение устойчивого экономического положения личности, социально-экономической стабильности общества, государства, соблюдение конституционных прав и свобод граждан, законности и законопослушности всех без исключения, включая органы государственной власти.

Ключевые слова: экономическая безопасность, государство, стратегическая перспектива, экономическое развитие, благосостояние.

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Formulation of the problem. The economic security of Ukraine is an integral part of the national security of our state. It is aimed at realizing the economic transformations that are being carried out in Ukraine over three to five years. Over the past time, significant changes have taken place in our country and in the world that significantly affect the international situation of any state, its economy, affecting national interests and presenting new requirements for ensuring the economic security of the country. The number and speed of ongoing processes increased, and the diversity of the socio-economic and cultural-political world increased. Part of the spheres of the world community and its spheres of activity live, figuratively speaking, in the future (state-of-the-art technologies, while unattainable level of well-being, cyberworld, etc.), some in a world where the achievements of the present, part – in the Middle Ages (religious wars, piracy, kidnapping, slavery, etc.).

And Ukraine in its foreign economic activities in varying degrees interacts with different parts of the world community.

Disturbing trends in the deterioration of the social and economic situation have greatly actualized the issue of developing and implementing a strategy for ensuring Ukraine's economic security. Now this task is one of the most important national priorities, which requires increased attention from the authorities, political parties, scientists and the public. Economic security guarantees the state independence of Ukraine and is a condition for its progressive economic development and the growth of the well-being of citizens. The policy of economic security will become effective only if its strategy and tactics are flawlessly developed.

Analysis of recent research and publications. The works of a large number of scientists are devoted

to the issues of ensuring economic security on different levels of economic systems. They directed their research both to studying the global characteristics of economic security and studied the «narrow» specialized aspects of economic security. In particular, I would like to note the works of such researchers as W. Geith, M. Kizim, T. Klebanova, O. Chernyak, J. Zhalilo, S. Kavun, A. Fedorisheva, O. Ralchuk, V. Senchagova, and others.

Formulation of the problem. Proceeding from the above, in the near future the important task of developing an effective strategy for ensuring the economic security of the state is actualized. This article is devoted to the investigation of the theoretical features of the solution of the problem posed.

The main material of the article. The strategy of economic security presupposes the definition of the goals and objectives of the economic security system, the directions for their solution, as well as the forms and methods of using the respective forces and means, the possibility of regrouping them, and the creation of reserves to neutralize and localize possible threats.

The Constitution of Ukraine clearly states that, together with the protection of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine, ensuring its economic security is the most important function of the state, the cause of the entire Ukrainian people. Economic security is inherent in integrative nature, because it is the result of joint efforts of the whole nation, is due to the actions of all branches of power

(from the all-Ukrainian level to the local level), the forces and means available in the state, associations of citizens and individuals.

At the same time, the economic security of Ukraine is understood as the protection of the economy of the country and its regions, economic entities from internal and external threats, allowing to ensure sustainable social and economic development of the state, decent quality and standard of living, sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and reliable defense capability of the country. The security of the Ukrainian economy is a state that excludes (in whole or in part) the possibility of damage to the economy of the state, its financial and economic system, the quality and standard of living of citizens, sovereignty, territorial integrity and sustainable development of the country, its defense capability. The threat to the economic security of Ukraine is the state and changes in the international situation and the situation within the country, interstate and intra-state relations that can damage the country's economy, its financial and economic system, the quality and standard of living of citizens, sovereignty, territorial integrity and sustainable development of the state, its defense.

It is important that the strategy for ensuring economic security is based on the many variants of the forecasts of Ukraine's socio-economic development and adjusted depending on the development of events for one or another option. Advantages of the multivariate strategy is that it becomes possible to choose different measures instead of urgent

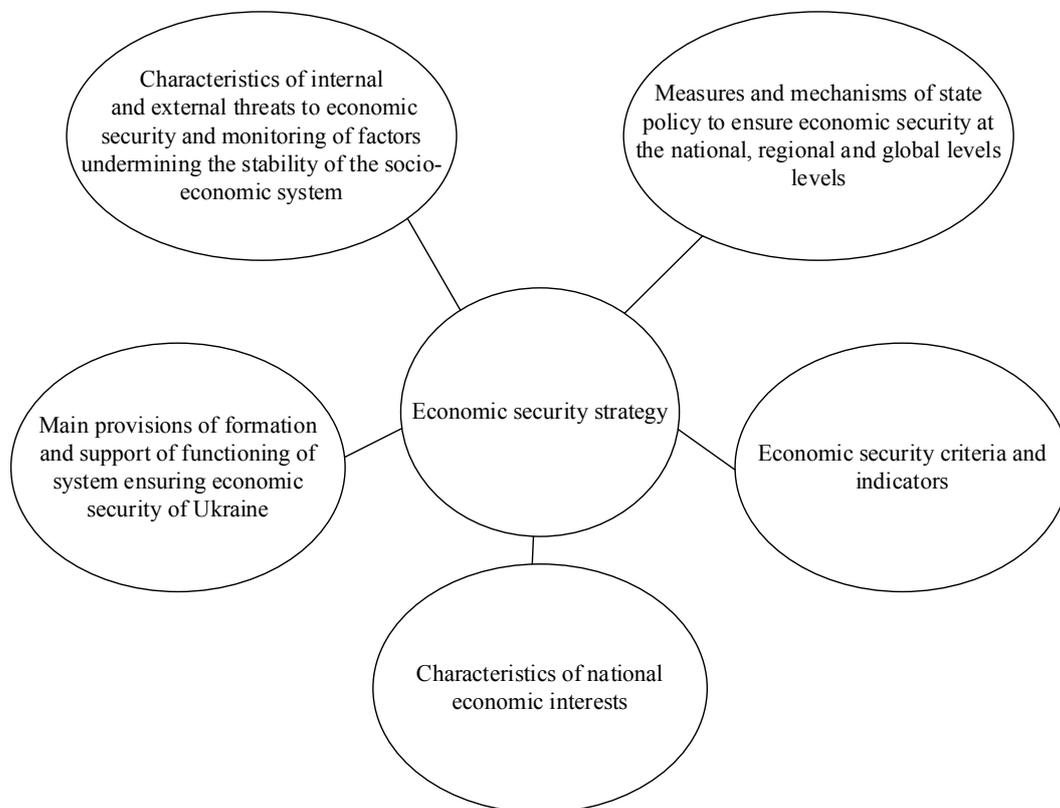


Fig. 1. Components of the strategy of economic security of Ukraine

application of emergency and imperfectly processed solutions, as often happens in practice.

The fulfillment of the constitutional requirements for the implementation of state functions related to ensuring economic security requires the development and adoption of such an extremely important document for the state as the Strategy for Economic Security of Ukraine. This document is intended to become a strategic reference point for the next 10-15 years and lay the foundations of economic security for a longer period.

When developing such a strategy, it is necessary to take into account the global trends of transition to the postindustrial direction of development and the formation of the so-called information society. Ignoring these trends, conditioned by technological progress and information revolution, is dangerous because Ukraine can become a victim of information and technological colonialism, which is much more threatening statehood than raw material colonialism.

The strategy of economic security of Ukraine, in particular, contains (Figure 1).

For the successful implementation of measures provided for by the state economic security strategy, adjusting economic policies, implementing measures for social and economic growth, determining economic, creating a reliable system of economic security and its effective functioning, monitoring their implementation should be entrusted to the Economic Security Administration of the National Security Council and defense of Ukraine.

The tendency to deepen the imbalances in the economic development of rich and poor countries threatens to grow at the beginning of the 21st century in the global crisis of the world economy and in destructive economic wars of global and regional scale. The strategy of economic security of Ukraine can be absolutely ineffective if the state apparatus is obligated to implement it, it will not be qualitatively renewed and guided by national interests. Now, regrettably, it is the officials, who are called upon to guarantee economic security, are almost the greatest threat to it.

What should be the strategy of economic security in the transition period and in the future? Some argue

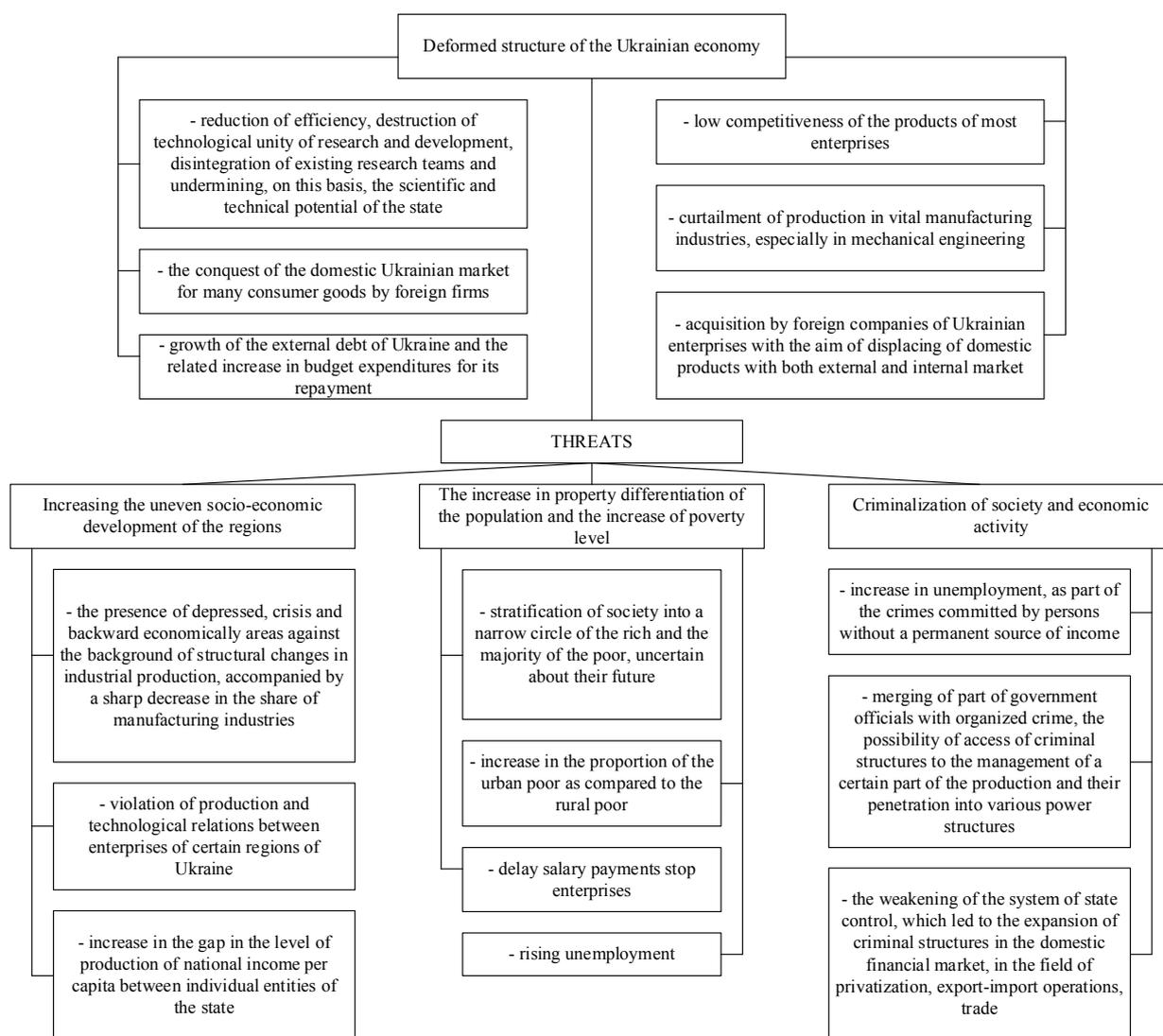


Fig. 2. Grouping of threats to economic security of Ukraine

that during the transition period the main thing is to ensure the survival of the economy and the whole country, then – its stabilization and in the future – development. In fact, the criterion of survival is very vague, because no one can confidently determine when the reduction in production reaches its limit and stabilization comes. For many years, the recession has continued, and according to this, our view of the possibilities of the survival of the economy and its stabilization is changing.

At the same time, one should not forget about the growing threats to Ukraine's economic security, which arise and multiply both in the internal and external environment (Figure 2).

The market system of management has a huge potential for resilience, but its capabilities can not be successfully implemented without an economic strategy.

The state economic strategy and, in general, national security should be based on the ideology of development (the system of scientific views, including not only the economy, but also philosophy, sociology, informatics, law, political science, geopolitics, etc.), take into account strategic priorities and national interests, that security threats are minimized. If market forces can not themselves lead the country into the orbit of development, then it is necessary to lay the foundations for raising production on the basis of a deep analysis of the market situation. Consequently, without the ideology of development, without cultivating industrial and scientific and technological advancement, economic security can not be guaranteed.

The state strategy in the field of ensuring economic security of Ukraine should focus, first of all, on maintaining a sufficient level of production, scientific and technical capacity, to prevent a decline in the standard of living of the population at the extreme values, which can cause social tension, to prevent conflicts between individual strata and population groups, different nations and nationalities. This strategy must be implemented before, thanks to the security system, which is formed by legislative, executive and judicial authorities, public and other organizations and unions.

Social state policy should contribute to the consolidation of society in the conditions of stable economic status of citizens and increase their standard of living. The stratification of society into the rich and poor continues, which is a destabilizing factor and creates a potential threat of social conflict. Meanwhile, the implementation of economic policy should accompany not a deepening of the polarization of society, but a uniform, fair distribution of the burden of the crisis period between different social groups of the population.

In order to preserve and develop the scientific and technological potential that ensures the strategic interests and scientific and technical independence of Ukraine, it is necessary, in our view, to determine the priorities of the state scientific and technical policy, coordinated with the tasks of ensuring the economic

security of the country. It is very necessary today to develop state programs in the areas of fundamental research, to create a favorable innovative climate in the economy, using various forms of state incentives for advanced technologies and protecting domestic producers of high technology competitive products.

The main direction of the investment policy for the transition period should be the formation of a favorable environment for increasing investment activity, attracting private domestic and foreign investment for the reconstruction of the Ukrainian economy.

It is necessary to take measures to strengthen the financial and credit system, should provide for: increasing the effectiveness of the tax system; reduction of the number of taxes and improvement of the system of their collection; optimal redistribution of financial resources based on national priorities; rationalization of expenditures on national defense.

To overcome possible secessionist tendencies and ensure unity in solving these problems, it is necessary to develop a strategy for rational combination of interests of the state and regions. This strategy should be based on limiting the role of central authorities in regional and local economic processes and focusing their efforts on creating and supporting market mechanisms and implementing a unified economic policy.

In the sphere of combating the criminalization of the economy, it is necessary to intensify the counteraction to organized crime, the violation of the rights of citizens in the sphere of economic activity. At the state and regional levels, measures should be taken, primarily aimed at combating the threats of economic crime, which harms the constitutional order, the social stability of economic activity.

Very important tasks should be solved in the field of economic management. Improving the system of economic management requires, first of all, a clear definition of the objectives of the national, regional and local levels and the appropriate delineation of state administration between the executive bodies of the subjects subject to ensuring the unity of the executive system. To maintain economic security, it is necessary to intensify actions in all areas of economic reforms, in particular: the creation of a regulatory and legal space, new institutions of governance and the implementation of institutional reforms; the development of a mechanism for resolving disputes and conflict situations arising in the sphere of economic relations; harmonious development of economic and political relations with the countries of near and far abroad taking into account mutual interests and ensuring economic security of Ukraine; strengthening the state power, increasing confidence in its institutions, as well as streamlining the mechanisms for developing and shaping economic policies.

Conclusions from the study. The state strategy in the field of ensuring economic security is worked

out and implemented within the framework of the current economic policy, the main priorities of which are to achieve a sustainable economic position of the individual, socio-economic stability of society, the state, respect for constitutional rights and freedoms of citizens, law and order of all, without exception state power. Uneasy tasks are to be solved in the field of structural policy. At the macroeconomic level, the main tasks are: increasing aggregate demand; an increase in the savings rate and the formation of a favorable investment climate for the transformation of savings into investment; ensuring the flow of financial and production resources from non-viable enterprises and sectors to efficient producers and to the growth sector; stimulation of export and its diversification; regulation of imports to protect domestic producers in the framework of generally accepted procedures. At the microeconomic level, during implementation of the structural policy, the tasks of supporting and stimulating the development of economically efficient enterprises and organizations, the liquidation or reorganization of inefficient economic structures, the introduction of market norms for the behavior of economic entities come to the fore.

Further development of theoretical and practical issues of improving the mechanism for ensuring the economic security of the country should be based on the National Security Concept of Ukraine.

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