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Key words: USA, messianism, geopolitics, strategic security, Russia.

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Key words: United States, regime change, American exceptionalism, messianism, proselytism, «colored revolutions».

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Key words: Spain, USA, NATO, Spanish-American agreements, Western Mediterranean, Strait of Gibraltar, Eastern Atlantic.

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Key words: regional health care system, accessibility and quality of medical services.

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Key words: Arctic region, Northern Sea Route, deployment of military forces and assets in the Arctic, military security.

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Key words: Russia, constitution, court, law, national security, foreign agent.

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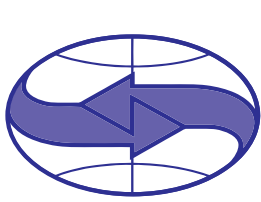
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The reviewed monograph «The identity of a participant in terrorist activities» contains a unique comprehensive study of the identity of a terrorist based on modern methodology, domestic and international achievements in the fight against crime. Of great scientific interest are the data on the identity of the criminal, based on the analysis of a wide range of doctrinal studies (philosophical, sociological, psychological), a significant amount of judicial and other law enforcement practice.

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Key words: megatrends: globalization, democratization, information and communication revolution, demassification, regenerative environment.

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Key words: China, Arab world, Sino-Arab Summit, KSA, Egypt, Sudan, Algeria, «Way and Belt», «Vision 2030».

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Key words: post-truth, supermegatrends, simulacra, fakes, stereotypes, hyperreality.

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Key words: ITC «North – South», Russia, Iran, India, China, geopolitics, sanctions, logistics.

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Key words: multipolar world order, global governance, Non-West regions, Greater Eurasia, transport corridor.

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Key words: political trust, political institution, immigration, integration of immigrants, discrimination, racism, inclusion.

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Key words: the battle for Stalingrad, the role and significance of Stalingrad.

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Key words: The formation of the USSR, the Red Army, personnel and police system, democratization and unity of command, military doctrine, the collapse of the USSR.

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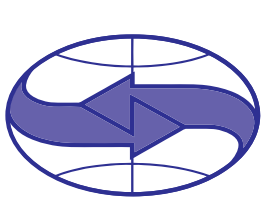
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Key words: Afghanistan, Soviet Union, People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDPA), Taliban.



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Key words: just war, bellum justum, jus ad bellum, jus in bello, theory of aggression, military convention, realism, pacifism.

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Key words: Kyrgyzstan, Independence, economic and social transformation, external debt, geopolitics.

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Key words: Middle East, Syria, Turkey, Russia, Astana format.

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Key words: Astana format, civil war in Syria, Russia, Turkey and Iran.

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Key words: Russia's transport corridors, «One Belt, One Road», logistics, EU – China corridor, EAEU, Russian Railways, commodity flow.

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Key words: Afghanistan, NGOs, political networks, social networks, Pashtuns, Taliban, foreign donors.

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Key words: metaverse, digital technologies, political technologies, digital transformation.

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Key words: education, BRICS, world university ranking, internationalization of education, globalization of education.

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Key words: science diplomacy, international scientific cooperation.

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Key words: image of the enemy, World War II, USA, British, Sweden, Finland, NATO.

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Key words: radical liberalism, social liberalism, democracy, social apartheid.

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Key words: necessary defense, socially dangerous encroachment, timeliness of defense, proactive defense, prevention of harm

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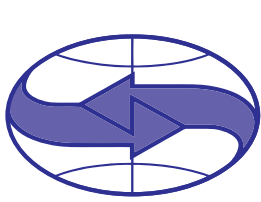
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Renewable energy sources can cover mankind’s entire electricity demand under certain conditions but such carbon-free global power engineering, being heavily dependent on natural factors (wind, insolation, rainfall), will not meet the reliability and fail-safe operation requirements. Nuclear power claims to be the only comparable stabilizing carbon-free energy source to overcome this limitation.

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Key words: Renewable energy sources, SPP, WPP, HPP, NPP, global warming of the atmosphere, carbon-free energy source, nuclear power.



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Key words: national strategy, the role of the individual in history, the ruling elite, the concept of national security.

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Key words: NATO expansion, Russia, security, Finlandization.

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Key words: EU, Federal Republic of Germany, national security, Russia, NATO, Bundeswehr.

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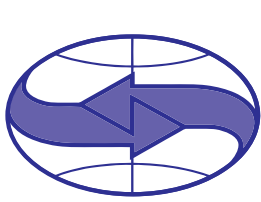
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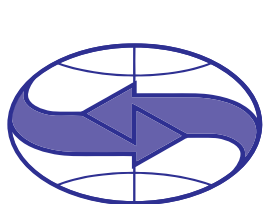
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