

NATO-UKRAINE ANNUAL TARGET PLAN FOR 2006 IN THE FRAMEWORK OF NATO-UKRAINE ACTION PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I. INTERNAL POLITICAL ISSUES

1. *Ukraine's highest domestic political priority for 2006 is the strengthening of democratic and electoral institutions.* On 7 July 2005, the Verkhovna Rada passed an updated law on the election of parliamentary deputies, taking into account OSCE recommendations following the 2002 parliamentary elections and the 2004 presidential election. The Ukrainian authorities are committed to ensuring the implementation of this law according to international standards for the election to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in March 2006, including by facilitating the activity of observers from foreign states and international organisations. Ukraine will ensure free, fair and equal access of candidates to mass media and election campaign coverage in compliance with legal and professional journalistic standards, in accordance with OSCE recommendations.

2. At the same time, Ukraine will introduce *political reforms to enhance the role of the parliament, and improve checks and balances between legislative and executive powers.* Legislation will be introduced to delineate more clearly the institutional roles of the President of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers, and the authority and functions of ministries and other central executive authorities, and to reinforce the independence and effectiveness of local self-government.

3. Throughout 2006, Ukraine will continue to *strengthen the rule of law and promote the fundamental rights and freedoms of its citizens.* 24 of 29 commitments in this area made to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe in 1995 (Summary #190), have been implemented, and the remaining five will be implemented by the end of 2006. These include:

- adoption of new Criminal and Procedural Codes;
- reform of prosecutorial authority;
- ratification of the European Social Charter;
- transfer of responsibility for the penitentiary system to the Ministry of Justice; and
- transfer of responsibility for registration of individuals entering and leaving Ukraine to the Ministry of Justice.

4. In order to *strengthen the authority and independence of the judiciary,* Ukraine will reform the State Judicial Administration, and transfer it from the executive to the judicial branch, in accordance with a commitment made to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (Resolution #1466). This will help to ensure a judiciary establishment that is self-sufficient for administrative support and for the training, attestation, selection, and appointment of judges (excluding presidential prerogatives to appoint a portion of Constitutional Court justices). Further reform of the judicial system will be conducted on

the basis of the recommendations of a presidentially-appointed Judicial Reform Commission, expected by the end of 2005.

5. Ukraine is firmly committed to *strengthening guarantees of freedom of expression*, including freedom of the press and free access to information. To this end, in 2006 Ukraine will strengthen existing legislation designed to protect the professional activities of journalists and to ensure freedom of information, and will guarantee its full implementation. Ukraine will also take action to prevent the monopolisation of national mass media agencies and to create preconditions for entry into a common European information space, notably through implementation of the European Convention on Trans-border Television Broadcasting, and revision of Ukraine's Information Code in accordance with Council of Europe standards.

6. Throughout the coming year, Ukraine will continue to *facilitate the development and strengthening of civil society and civic freedoms*, notably through the adoption of legislation guaranteeing the right of peaceful assembly. Ukraine will also improve legislation and procedures regarding detention, arrest, and treatment of prisoners in order to implement recommendations of the European Committee on prevention of torture. Access to the judicial system will be improved through the creation of free judicial consultative centres at the local level. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will work with the International Organisation for Migration to improve Ukraine's migration policy and its legislation on migration and ethnic minorities.

7. Ukraine will continue to *strengthen civilian, democratic control over the Armed Forces and the whole security sector*. The Ministry of Defence will strengthen further its system of democratic management and oversight, in close co-operation with NATO and Allied experts. Ukraine will increase the proportion of civilian personnel in the central apparatus of the Ministries of Defence and the Interior, and will take concrete steps to improve their qualifications, with Allied support, as agreed by Defence Ministers in October 2005. Public boards will be established at the Ministries of Defence, the Interior and Emergencies, and at the State Border Guard Service and other executive authorities, in order to improve interaction between these authorities and non-governmental public organisations, in turn facilitating independent assessment of defence and security sector reform efforts. Structural units responsible for liaison with mass media and public relations, and for civil-military cooperation (J9, CIMIC) will be established in every MOD branch. The MOD will also improve the efficiency of public information on the activities and the reform of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, especially through publication of a second edition of a white book on the Armed Forces activities.

8. Finally, Ukraine will *intensify its fight against corruption*, in particular, through the development, in 2006, of a national strategy and action plan. In order to combat money laundering and terrorist financing, Ukraine will adapt its legislation to international standards, especially in support of continued implementation of Financial Action Task Force on Money Laundering (FATF) recommendations (40 Recommendations and 9 Special Recommendations). Ukraine will actively participate in the training for specialists on financial monitoring.

II. FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY

9. Ukraine will continue to pursue full integration into the Alliance, taking full advantage of all existing mechanisms in the framework of the NATO-Ukraine Distinctive Partnership and the Intensified Dialogue. Throughout 2006, Ukraine will build upon its already strong contribution to regional and global stability. It will intensify efforts to resolve frozen conflicts, including through the Transdniestrian Settlement Plan and through the promotion of a peaceful resolution to the Georgia-Abkhazia conflict. Ukraine will promote a politically negotiated and lasting solution to the Transdniestrian conflict based on the principle of sovereignty and territorial integrity of Moldova. Ukraine is committed to the implementation of the border monitoring agreement with the EU. It will work to promote regional democratisation through the Ukrainian-Georgian Initiative on the Community of Democratic Choice. Ukraine will continue to keep over 1500 personnel involved in eleven peace support and crisis response operations worldwide, including operations led by NATO or together with Allies. Ukraine will remain a contributor to KFOR and is committed to joining NATO's Training Mission-Iraq (NTM-I) and Operation Active Endeavour (OAE). In 2006, Ukraine will also seek to increase its support to the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan (ISAF), and will stand ready to contribute to NATO's logistic support of the African Union in Darfur, Sudan. Ukraine joins other Black Sea countries including NATO members Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey, in its commitment to promote trust and security in the Black Sea, including through active participation in the Black Sea Naval Cooperation Task Group (BLACKSEAFOR) and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organisation (BSECO), as well as through cooperation with the border authorities of the riparian states.

10. At the same time, Ukraine continues to place high priority on maintaining good relations with its neighbours. It will work to ensure improvement and *effective implementation of bilateral and multinational agreements* to strengthen confidence-building measures in cross-boundary regions with neighbouring NATO member states (Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, as well as Black Sea littoral states Bulgaria and Turkey). Ukraine remains committed to the principle that border and inter-ethnic disputes should be resolved through peaceful means and in accordance with International Law. Following up on the successful delimitation of the country's land borders with these countries, in 2006 Ukraine will work actively to finalise the delimitation of maritime borders. Ukraine will also continue negotiations with Russia on the delimitation of the maritime border in the Kerch Straits and Azov Sea, and the demarcation of the Ukrainian-Russian land border. Ukraine will continue to work with Belarus to secure the latter's ratification of the border treaty (which Ukraine ratified in 1997), so that demarcation of that border can begin. Ukraine will continue to work constructively with Romania through bilateral consultations, as well as at the International Court of Justice in The Hague, to resolve matters regarding continental shelf and exclusive economic zones in the Black Sea. Ukraine will promote a structural process of democratisation of the Transdniestrian region of the Republic of Moldova, under international coordination guidance and monitoring, to ensure implementation of democratic standards and fundamental rights and freedoms.

11. Ukraine remains fully committed to the *fight against terrorism* and to *efforts to combat proliferation*. Ukraine will continue to implement the Partnership Action Plan on Terrorism and strengthen efforts to ensure strict controls over the export of armaments. It will *deepen bilateral relations with NATO intelligence services and law-enforcement authorities*, and will work toward the establishment of an Integrated International Data Base of individuals linked to terrorist organisations. In the coming year, Ukraine will also ratify international arrangements on extradition of suspects and coordination of criminal prosecutions. Ukraine plans develop special units within the Armed Forces of Ukraine for anti-terrorist operations, including through the training of command and control bodies. Ukraine also plans to involve troops of the Ministry of the Interior in international programmes to fight terrorism. Ukraine continues to ensure full implementation of its international commitments, and to provide information to relevant international bodies. In this respect, Ukraine will update legislation to conform to decisions taken in the framework of international export control regimes.

12. Finally, Ukraine is *finalising the development of the national system of coordination of NATO-Ukraine cooperation*, under the direction of the President of Ukraine. This process will be supported by interagency working groups, focused on the most important areas of NATO-Ukraine cooperation.

III. DEFENCE AND SECURITY SECTOR REFORM

13. In 2006, Ukraine will intensify efforts to ensure the *further implementation of national security sector reform*, based upon a *comprehensive overall review of the national security sector in accordance with NATO standards*. In this context, Ukraine will adapt its law-enforcement authorities to European standards: a fundamental reform of the Ministry of the Interior will seek to clarify the status, tasks and missions of the Interior Troops, to ensure that their basic mission will be to protect the fundamental rights of citizens by contributing to the maintenance of law and order within the society. The draft “Integrated Programme on Reconstruction and Development of the State Boundary to 2015” will provide a framework for the further reform of the Border Guard, and Ukraine is currently developing recommendations on intelligence sector reform.

14. Implementation of *defence reform* in 2006 will be guided by the State Programmes for the Development of Ukraine’s Armed Forces 2006-2011 and for the Development of Armaments and Military Equipment to 2009, both of which were approved by the Cabinet of Ministers in September 2005 and shared with NATO member states. Ukraine’s Armed Forces and other military formations highly value the NATO Planning and Review Process (PARP), and are committed to the full implementation of Partnership Goals (PGs). In spring 2006, Ukraine will review its PGs to ensure they are in line with these State Programmes, as well as current ministerial priorities, available resources, and international defence cooperation programmes. Ukraine will continue to use the NATO-Ukraine Joint Working Group on Defence Reform (JWGDR) and other appropriate NATO-Ukraine and bilateral mechanisms to help address current challenges in the area of national defence and security sector reform. Ukraine will also strengthen its use of NATO-Ukraine mechanisms to promote more effective harmonisation of national, multilateral, and bilateral programs.

15. Throughout 2006, Ukraine will continue to *improve its national system of defence policy, planning and budgeting*, as a key means of ensuring democratic, civilian management. Priorities in this area include the development of a 2007 budget on a programme basis, the transition to a capabilities-based planning system, and the introduction of an integrated information system. Ukraine will also seek to improve the efficiency and transparency of policy, planning, and budgeting processes throughout the wider security sector, including for law-enforcement authorities and intelligence services. Ukraine welcomes the participation of Allied and NATO experts in these processes, and will make active use of available PfP and bilateral training and education programmes in these areas.

16. At the same time, Ukraine will continue to *enhance its ability to support NATO-led peace support and crisis response operations*. Command and control of the Armed Forces Joint Rapid Reaction Force units will be improved by the establishment of a NATO-compatible operational command. In the course of 2006, this command will assume control of forces and personnel assigned to international operations. By the end of 2008, it will also assume control of all inter-service missions of the Armed Forces. Ukraine will continue to strengthen the interoperability of NATO/PfP-designated units, especially through application of NATO standards for military units and equipment. Ukraine will also continue to improve interagency coordination and liaison between the Ministry of Defence, the Armed Forces, the Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Emergencies, the Security Service of Ukraine, and the State Border Guard Service, particularly in the area of CRM and CEP. Ukraine will work to introduce a NATO-compatible air SAR system, supported by consultations in the framework of the NATO Air Traffic Management Committee.

17. Ukraine also plans to *participate in the NATO Program of Air Situation Data Exchange (ASDE) and the Regional Airspace Initiative*, as a means of improving national procedures for civil-military coordination and for providing support to NATO in case of aviation emergencies or terrorist acts. Consultations with NATO on interoperability in object recognition will facilitate this process.

18. Ukraine is *accelerating practical efforts to implement a transition to a fully professional Armed Forces*. Following the reduction in the term of conscription from 18 to 12 months, 2006 will see the implementation of a pilot project by which one brigade in each service (Army, Navy and Air Force) will move to a full volunteer (i.e. contract-manning) system by the end of the year. Professionalisation will be supported by the establishment of a recruiting system and the development of a professional NCO corps.

19. Ukraine stands ready to *increase its participation in NATO-led operations, including PSOs/CROs and in the struggle against terrorism*. In 2006, Ukraine will continue its long-standing contribution to KFOR, and will begin practical cooperation in the framework of Operation ACTIVE ENDEAVOUR (OAE) through the establishment of a contact point in the Naval HQ in Sevastopol. Training of a maritime contingent continues, with an eye toward possible deployment in OAE in the second half of 2006, in accordance with the Exchange of Letters signed on 21 April 2005, including the logistic provisions contained therein. Preparations continue for Ukraine's contribution of experts to assist the NATO Training Mission-Iraq (NTM-I). In support of ISAF, Ukraine will continue to provide overflight rights in the framework of the HNS MOU, and intends to conclude a transit

agreement with NATO and facilitate the increased use of its air transit capability. The Government of Ukraine will promote the ratification of the MoU with NATO on strategic airlift.

In conformity with Ukraine's dedication to regional initiatives, Ukraine will also continue to contribute to BLACKSEAFOR and work toward participation in the Turkish-led naval operation Black Sea Harmony. Ukraine will pursue full membership in the Council of Ministers of Defence of Countries of South-East Europe (SEDM) and make a military contribution to the Multinational Peacemaking Forces of South-East Europe (SEEBrig).

20. Ukraine will also, with the assistance of NATO and NATO member states, intensify efforts to *address legacy issues of resettling redundant servicemen and eliminating surplus munitions*. Ukraine looks forward to working with NATO experts to improve its internal resettlement system and plans, to pursue clean-up of the former munitions storage site at Novobohdanyvka, and to improve the safety, security and lifecycle management of munitions. Ukraine intends to increase budget resources targeted to all of these problems, but given the overwhelming scale of these challenges, very much appreciates NATO support in the form of Trust Funds for resettlement and elimination of munitions, SALW, and MANPADs. Ukraine will promote cooperation with Allies, especially the new members, in order to benefit from their experience in the sphere of civil-military relations.

IV. PUBLIC INFORMATION

21. In 2006, Ukraine will make a concerted effort to *increase public awareness about the Alliance and the NATO-Ukraine Distinctive Partnership*. In this context, it will work to strengthen cooperation between state authorities and non-governmental organisations, and to increase the involvement of local administrations in NATO-Ukraine cooperative projects. In carrying this effort forward, the Ukrainian authorities will work closely with the NATO-Ukraine Civic League and the NATO Information and Documentation Centre (NIDC) in Kyiv to organise conferences, roundtables, and workshops on Ukraine's aspirations to membership in Alliance.

22. Ukraine will also ensure full implementation of the State Programme of Public Information on Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic Integration for 2004-2007, including their adequate financing in accordance with an October 2005 Presidential Decree. The State Television and Radio Committee, in cooperation with the National Centre on Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine, will continue to *monitor public opinion* on NATO-Ukraine cooperation and Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration policy through semi-annual polling. These polls will seek to identify common public misperceptions, and the results will support recommendations for coordination of a national information policy in this area.

V. INFORMATION SECURITY

23. In consultation with NATO experts, the Security Service of Ukraine will introduce measures to *ensure adequate protection of NATO classified information* by all state authorities, enterprises and institutions with access to such information. In 2006, Ukraine plans to introduce a NATO-compatible information network and a secure telephone communication network on the basis of resources provided by the national system of

confidential communication. It is also planned to continue training experts in the protection of classified information (documents and INFOSEC system), including at relevant Allied educational institutions.

24. In addition, Ukraine plans to *establish high-speed secure communications* between Ukraine's Mission to NATO and relevant central executive authorities in Kyiv in the first half of 2006. The Security Service of Ukraine will work with the NATO Office of Security and relevant Allied authorities to ensure effective protection of classified information sent by Ukraine to NATO.

VI. ECONOMIC ISSUES

25. Throughout 2006, Ukraine will *promote sustained economic development* through the implementation of a national policy to ensure stable growth of annual GDP by 7.0%, maintain inflation at less than 9.0%, and increase real income growth by 11.9%*. To promote trade-driven growth, Ukraine plans to complete negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the World Trade Organisation (WTO) by April 2006, and to complete the ratification of relevant protocols and internal legislation by October 2006. Ukraine also plans to promote growth in 2006 by implementing the State Programme of Reform and Development of the Defence-Industrial Complex to 2010, and by developing the State Programme of Promoting the Competitiveness of Ukraine's Economy. While promoting growth, Ukraine will act to provide adequate social protections. It will modernise its pension system, moving toward an accumulation-type system for obligatory state pension insurance, and update relevant legislation.

26. In order to guarantee property rights and a stable, predictable investment climate, Ukraine will *enhance transparency and efficiency in privatisation processes*. Ukraine will also bring legislation on the economic rights and freedoms of citizens, including intellectual property rights, into compliance with international standards. Specific actions in 2006 will include amendments to the laws "On the author's rights and related rights" and "On the reservation of trade marks, geographical names and commercial titles."

27. Throughout 2006, Ukraine will pursue *national energy security*, diversifying fuel and energy sources and ensuring the security of transit oil and gas pipelines on the territory of Ukraine, in particular through the launch of strategic projects including "Eurasian Oil Transport Corridor", and the establishment of a Joint State Energy Crisis Management Centre.

28. Ukraine will seek to *strengthen further NATO-Ukraine economic cooperation* through consultations in the framework of the NATO-Ukraine Joint Working Group on Economic Security. Internal actions to support this will include the drafting of a State Programme of Ukraine-Allies Economic Cooperation to 2010 and a Programme of NATO-Ukraine military and technical cooperation to 2010.

* According to data provided by the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine's, as of 29.11.2005.

VII. LEGAL ISSUES

29. Ukraine will continue to make necessary amendments to its internal laws and regulations, and develop additional international agreements as needed to simplify NATO/Allied assistance for NATO-Ukraine cooperation, and to ensure the compatibility of Ukrainian law with eventual membership in the Alliance. Ukraine will work with Allied experts to draft a concept of Host Nation Support (HNS) and develop a Ukrainian Catalogue of HNS Capabilities. Ukraine will also introduce mechanisms of VAT exemption/reimbursement for NATO/Allied forces participating in exercises on Ukraine's territory.

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Section I. POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES

**I. 1. Policy and security
A. Domestic issues**

Objective I.1.A.1 Strengthening of democratic and electoral institutions

In order to attain the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Ensure the conduct of free, fair elections to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine in March 2006, in accordance with national legislation and international standards

1. Facilitate, in a timely fashion and in accordance with the OSCE standards, the work of official observers from foreign states and international organisations prior to and during March 2006 elections to the Verkhovna Rada and regional and local councils.
2. Draft proposals to amend Ukrainian legislation on elections, subject to OSCE recommendations on the basis of the results of monitoring of 2006 parliamentary elections and conclusion of the Venice Commission on 16 December 2005.
3. Seek assistance to the Central Electoral Commission of Ukraine from relevant structures of the United Nations, the OSCE and other international organisations in organising the March 2006 parliamentary elections.
4. Facilitate the adoption and ensure the observance of the Law of Ukraine “On the State register of Voters of Ukraine” which in particular envisages the creation of a National Voter Registry.
5. Facilitate the casting of votes by Ukrainian citizens living abroad.
6. Implement a project to guarantee the electoral rights of disabled persons

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* - denotes joint NATO-Ukraine actions

b. Raise the level of public awareness of the electoral process and relevant legislation.

1. Implement, at educational institutions, a national educational program for first-time voters.
2. Organise instructional campaigns to familiarize electoral workers with voter registration lists, procedures for submitting complaints regarding incomplete voter lists, and procedures to vote outside polling stations.
3. Undertake training of members of electoral commissions and official observers, including through the development of training aids.
4. Undertake training of judges on electoral legislation.

c. Ensure free, fair and equal access of candidates to the mass media, and objective coverage of the electoral campaign in accordance with legal and professional journalistic standards while ensuring that any limitations imposed on the media are fully in accord with constitutionally enshrined freedoms and dissemination of information.

1. Ensure full implementation of laws guaranteeing free, fair and equal access to television and radio throughout the course of the pre-election campaign.
2. Ensure broad distribution of media lawyers' information on electoral legislation to journalists and others involved in public/media oversight of elections.

d. Complete implementation of the obligations of Ukraine deriving from its membership in the Council of Europe.

1. Elaborate and implement an Action Plan on implementation of obligations of Ukraine deriving from its membership in the Council of Europe.

Objective I.1.A.2 Strengthening powers and the independence of judiciary

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Continue to advance judicial reform in accordance with Council of Europe recommendations, including the monitoring reports of the Council of Europe on implementation by Ukraine of the obligations and responsibilities deriving from its membership in the Council of Europe, (in particular, according to PACE Resolution No. 1466).

1. Develop the draft Law of Ukraine "On Amendments to the Law of Ukraine " On Judicial system of Ukraine" aimed at transforming the State Court Administration of Ukraine into the judicial branch of government, and granting it with the authority to appoint heads and deputy heads of courts.

2. Facilitate the approval of the bilateral project "Reforms of the Court System" by the Canadian Agency of International Development.

b. Development of administrative judiciary

1. Prepare amendments to Ukraine's Administrative Code in order to improve it based on previous instances of application and submit to the Verkhovna Rada.

2. Ensure the functioning of administrative courts in Ukraine, including the creation of professional cadre to fill in positions of judges, staff courts with employees, organize their training etc.

c. Strengthen the independence of the judicial system by providing it with necessary resources

1. Provide courts with appropriate premises financed by State Budget of Ukraine for 2006 according to the program # 0501820.

2. Establish appropriate conditions for work, including through salary reform for judges of general and specialized courts financed by State Budget of Ukraine for 2006 according to the program # 0501010.

3. Provide housing for appeals court and local court judges financed by State Budget of Ukraine for 2006 according to the program # 051180.

Objective I.1.A.3 Facilitating the continuous development and strengthening of civil society, rule of law, the protection of basic human rights and public liberties

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve interaction between bodies of state authority and institutions of civil society.

1. Develop a Concept of the Interaction Between the State and Civil Society.

2. Facilitate adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of the Law of Ukraine on access of citizens to information.

b. Ensure implementation of international standards which Ukraine has assumed on the rights of all national minorities.

1. Elaborate in accordance with the Council of Europe's recommendations the draft Law of Ukraine "On Amending the law of Ukraine "On National Minorities", provide to the OSCE for expertise and facilitate its adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

2. Facilitate adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On Associations of Citizens", with the goal of simplifying the establishment and functioning of national minorities organisations.

3. Ensure full implementation of the *European Charter of Regional Languages or Languages of National Minorities*.

4. Establish a clear-cut delineation of executive authority in matters of nationalities.

5. Introduce a separate line-item in the State Budget of Ukraine for financing support of the development of national minorities.

6. Promote the education and cultural expression of minority groups, including **through** the elaboration and approval of Model Regulations on week-end schools for all National Minorities (Cultural and Educational Center of National Minorities).

7. Ensure greater transparency with regard to the policy on national minorities, in order to inform the society about the implementation of their ethnic-cultural rights.

c. Improve implementation of international standards in the sphere of civil rights and liberties.

1. Implement pilot projects on creation of free of charge consultative centers on legal issues.

d. Prevent improper treatment of people and use of torture

1. Improve national legislation and its application with respect to the conditions of prisoners in accordance with the recommendations of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

e. Improve the system of state government concerning the implementation of migration policy

1. Facilitating the adoption of the Law of Ukraine *"On the Basic Principles of State Migration Policy"* designed to determine fundamental priorities of state migration policy, explanation of the policy-making regarding certain categories (refugees, illegal immigrants, displaced figures etc.)

2. Facilitating the adoption of the Law of Ukraine *"On State Migration Service in Ukraine"*

Objective I.1.A.4 Ensuring the freedom of conscience

a. Organise a series of conferences designed to promote interfaith understanding.

1. Hold a scientific-practical conference in April 2006 on *"Orthodox-Muslim Dialogue in the Context of Euro-Atlantic Strivings of Ukraine"*.

2. Hold a round-table discussion in May 2006 on *"The Newest Religious Movements in Europe and Ukraine"*.

3. Hold a scientific-practical conference in September 2006 on *"Inter-Orthodox Relations in Ukraine: Nature, Problems, Tendencies of Development"*.

4. Hold a round-table discussion in November 2006 on *"Development of Relations Between the State and the Church in Ukraine: European Dimension"*.

Objective I.1.A.5 Ensuring the freedom of assembly

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Strengthen the legal right to hold peaceful demonstrations.

1. Facilitate adoption of the Law of Ukraine *"On the Procedure of Holding Peaceful Demonstrations"*.

Objective I.1.A.6 The completion of the administrative reform

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Reform the system of public service on the basis of political neutrality, clear definition of the rights and duties of public servants, and transparent conditions of their employment and career development.

1. Facilitate the adoption by the Verkhovna Rada of the Law of Ukraine *"On State Service"*, which aims to set forth objective, transparent apolitical criteria for the employment and promotion of public servants.

2. Draft regulations necessary for the implementation of the Law of Ukraine *"On State Service"*.

3. Draft legislation to promote professional training of public servants, including officials of bodies of local self-government.

4. Promote the development of a cadre of experts on European and Euro-Atlantic issues through fulfillment of the State Programme of Training, Retraining and Raising the Level of Skill of Specialists in the Sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine for 2004–2007.

5. Creating a system of training of specialists in public administration for manpower requirements of public authorities and bodies of local self-government; instructors of institutions of higher education and institutions of postgraduate education, in accordance with educational line 8.1501 "Public Administration", in matters of forming and implementing public policy in the sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic integration of Ukraine.

6. Organise an international scientific-practical conference on *"The Creation of a System of Training Public Servants in Matters of the Implementation of State Policy in the Sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine: organization and educational aspects"*.

7. Provide facilities and office equipment for the Centre for Training and Research Concerning European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine.

c. Improve public administration in the sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration

1. Draft a Concept of Public Administration in the Sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration based on analysis of experience in administrative reforms in countries of Central and East Europe.

2. Prepare teaching aids on *"Mechanisms of Forming and Implementing Public Policy in the Sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine"* and set didactic material, for use with public servants.

Objective I.1.A.7 Strengthening the Civil Democratic Control Over the Armed Forces and the security sector as a whole.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Ensure observance of the Law of Ukraine *"On Democratic Civilian Control over the Military Organization and Law-enforcement Authorities"*.

1. Increase the proportion of civilian personnel at the Ministry of Defense and other authorities of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and their professional qualifications, in accordance with the State Programme of the Development of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for 2006–2011.

2. Organise public consultations in the framework of the newly-established Public Board of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine. Ensure enhanced opportunities for oversight of the Armed Forces of Ukraine by the Verkhovna Rada.

b. Create an efficient system of administering the Armed Forces of Ukraine and an efficient functional structure of the central apparatus of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine.

1. Ensure the implementation of relevant sections of the State Programme of Development of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for 2006–2011.

2. Complete a functional study of the structure of the central office of the Ministry of Defence by the end of the year.

c. Raise the level of public awareness of the activities of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1. Prepare a second edition of a white book on the Armed Forces activities[‡].

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

d. Increase the share of civilian personnel in the troops of the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine.

1. Establish a list of positions for a new military-law-enforcement formation of the Ministry of the Interior that could be occupied by civilians
2. Develop a training plan to raise the level of skill of civilian personnel, including through training outside Ukraine.

Objective I.1.A.8 Fight against corruption, money laundering and illegal economic activities by means of economic, legal, organization and law-enforcement measures; taking necessary measures to be stricken off the FATF list, in particular the adoption and implementation of a law corresponding to standards of FATF.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Bring Ukrainian legislation and practice in the sphere of preventing and counteracting money-laundering and the financing of terrorism into conformity with international standards.

1. Draft regulations to implement the Forty Recommendations of the Group on the Development of Financial Measures of Fight Against Money Laundering (FATF).
2. Draft regulations to implement the 1999 International Convention on the Fight Against Financing of Terrorism.
3. Ensure the efficient functioning of the Single State Information System in the Sphere of Preventing and Counteracting Money-Laundering and Financing of Terrorism.
4. Participate in sessions, seminars, conferences, etc., of the Group on Developing Financial Measures of Fight Against Money Laundering (FATF), the Council of Europe, the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Egmont Group.

b. Improve effectiveness in the fight against corruption

1. Develop and adopt a National Strategy for the Fight Against Corruption and an Action Plan to Fight Against Corruption in Ukraine, in consultation with international organisations.
2. Organise the training of officials of public bodies involved in the fight against corruption, money-laundering and financing of terrorism.
3. Introduce, in the current training programmes of civil servants, particular courses with regard to fight against corruption.

c. Facilitate the provision of international assistance to build capabilities in the struggle against money-laundering and the financing of terrorism.

1. Implement the Plan of Cooperation Between the Council of Europe and Ukraine, including the initiation of a project to improve administrative procedures directed at the prevention of corruption and the continued implementation of a project on money-laundering and financing of terrorism (MOLI-UA2).
2. Explore possibilities for drafting Memoranda of Understanding Between the State Department of Financial Monitoring of Ukraine and financial monitoring agencies of interested NATO nations, aimed at improving procedures in this area.

Objective I.1.A.9 Ensuring the balance between the three branches of power, viz. legislative, executive and judicial by means of constitutional and administrative reforms and ensuring their efficient cooperation

a. Implement political reform.

1. Develop the draft Law of Ukraine "*On the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine*", designed to determine the structure and obligations of the Cabinet, assignment and suspension of authorities; define necessary points for maintenance of the Cabinet activity.
2. Facilitate the adoption of the Law of Ukraine "*On Ministries and Other Central Bodies of Executive Power*", designed to regulate the structure and activity of central bodies of executive power as well as public administration mechanism.
3. Facilitate the adoption of the Law of Ukraine "*On the President of Ukraine*" designed to determine President's authorities, assignment and suspension of authorities; define necessary points for maintenance of the President activity.
4. Ensure compatibility of political/constitutional reform processes with relevant Council of Europe recommendations.

B. Foreign policy and policy in the sphere of security

Objective I.1.B.1 Renewing both foreign policy and policy in the sphere of security for the purpose of reflecting the goal of Ukraine with respect to the complete Euro-Atlantic integration

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Use the mechanisms of the NATO-Ukraine Distinctive Partnership (see Section V, Implementation Mechanisms), including new opportunities within the framework of the Intensified Dialogue, to intensify cooperation on foreign and security policy with a view to Ukraine's eventual NATO membership.

1. Hold consultations within the framework of the Intensified Dialogue with NATO with a view to obtain detailed information about future members' responsibilities and obligations of political, military, personnel and financial nature and also about those expectations of member states which ensue from existing documents and practices of NATO.

2. Implement the Memorandum of Understanding on Civil Emergency Planning and Disaster Preparedness Between the Ministry of Emergencies and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

3. Hold Ukraine-NATO consultations to update Ukraine's foreign and security policy concepts.

b. Intensify cooperation with the European Union and its member states, including by continuing to associate Ukraine with EU statements and positions on regional and international matters, ensuring full implementation of the Ukraine-EU Action Plan and functioning of the Ukraine-EADC Working Group on Cooperation.

c. Facilitate assistance from NATO and NATO member states with respect to reforming the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1. Facilitate the involvement of NATO and Allied national experts in assessing Ukraine's Draft Strategy of Military Security, in particular by means of taking measures within the framework of PARP and the Ukraine-NATO Joint Working Group on Defence Reform.

d. Work with Romania to conclude negotiations on delimitation of the continental shelf and exclusive economic zones in the Black Sea.

1. Continue bilateral negotiations on the delimitation of the continental shelf and exclusive economic zones of Ukraine and Romania in the Black Sea.

2. Implement any decisions taken by the International Court of Justice in the Hague (Netherlands).

e. Make comprehensive systematic studies for the purpose of establishing and implementing priority directions of cooperation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine within the framework of the Action Plan concerning membership in NATO

1. Develop proposals for conceptual documents on reforming and developing the Armed Forces of Ukraine in structures of security and defense in the context of PARP and the NATO-Ukraine Joint Working Group on Defence Reform.

Objective I.1.B.2 Reforming public bodies in the sphere of national security and defense which would reflect the Euro-Atlantic policy of Ukraine

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Finalise the formation of a national system of coordination of cooperation with NATO, under the direction of the President of Ukraine.

1. Finalise the creation of a national system of coordination of cooperation with NATO under the direction of the President of Ukraine, incorporating special-purpose interdepartmental working groups corresponding to the most important areas of cooperation with NATO.

b. As part of a wider Security Sector Reform, continue ongoing restructure of the Interior Troops of the Ministry of Interior in accordance with recommendations drawn from PARP assessments and Partnership Goals.

c. Improve legislation on the activity of national security sector bodies.

1. Promote the adoption of the Laws of Ukraine:

- "On protection of Public Authorities of Ukraine and officials";
- "On amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On Security Service of Ukraine".

Objective I.1.B.3 Strengthening Ukraine as a key donor of regional stability and security, in particular by means of increasing the contribution of Ukraine to international cooperation in settling conflicts and maintaining peace

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Promote agreement on a political settlement in Transdnistria.

1. Continue negotiations, including on the basis of the Ukrainian Plan for Peaceful Settlement of the Transdnistria Problem and the relevant decisions of the Republic of Moldova in an expanded format (with the participation of the USA and the EU). Promote a structural process of democratization of the Transdnistrian region of Republic of Moldova, under international coordination, guidance and monitoring, to ensure implementation of democratic standards and fundamental rights and freedoms.

2. Promote full access of all ethnic categories of the population of Transdnistria to alternative sources of information on regional and international events, including Ukrainian mass media and television and radio broadcasts (e.g., "Radio Liberty") specially tailored to Transdnistrian audiences.

3. Organise an educational campaign designed to enhance awareness of electoral principles and procedures among Transdnistriean voters, on the basis of the Ukrainian non-governmental campaign "I Know". In order to ensure effectiveness of this campaign, emphasis will be put on consolidating the democratic framework of free debate and political expression, also taking into account the European expertise in the field.

4. Develop Protocols between the Administration of the State Border Service of Ukraine and the Border Service of the Republic of Moldova on the establishment of consultative points on the common border, points of admission and the simplified admission of citizens who live in border districts.

5. Rigorously implement the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Commission, Ukraine and Republic of Moldova (see task I.1.B.8.d.1.) in order to ensure efficiency of border and customs control of the Ukrainian-Moldavian state border, including at its Transdnistriean section.

b. Promote cooperation within the GUAM format.

1. Implement the decisions of the Chisinau Summit, including on the development of military cooperation in the GUAM framework, including through meetings at the level of chiefs of staff of the armed forces of GUAM member states.

c. Promote democracy at the regional level through the implementation the Ukrainian-Georgian initiative on the establishment of the *Community of Democratic Choice*.

1. Organise expert consultations at the level of ministries of foreign affairs of the Community of Democratic Choice, designed to fulfill the basic tasks of the initiative.

2. Organise a conference designed for activities of the Commonwealth of Democratic Choice and regional cooperation.

d. Strengthen the role of Ukraine in settling the Georgian-Abkhazian conflict

1. Renew the participation of Ukraine in the Group of Friends of the UN Secretary General on Georgia.

2. Organise an international conference on the Georgian-Abkhazian conflict.

3. Study the possibility of eventual participation of a Ukrainian keeping contingent in the peacekeeping operation in Abkhazia

4. Promote the establishment of an international consortium to renew rail transport through the territory of Abkhazia.

e. Create military and political principles for the efficient contribution of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to regional stability.

1. Implement bilateral and multilateral agreements on measures of trust and security in border districts with adjacent member states of the Alliance (Poland, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia).
2. Pursue full membership in the Council of Ministers of Defence of Countries of South-East Europe (SEDM).
3. Make a military contribution to the Multinational Peacemaking Forces of South-East Europe (SEEBrig).
4. Pursue close cooperation between the Armed Forces of Ukraine and the Regional Center for Facilitating the Verification and Implementation of International Obligations in the Sphere of Exercising Control over Armaments according to the tasks of Stability in South-East Europe.

f. Improve training of peacekeeping contingents

1. Train servicemen who will take part in peace support operations at the Centre for Training Officers of Multinational Headquarters Under the National Academy of Defense of Ukraine in order to enhance their professional skills, mutual understanding and interoperability.
2. Intensify cooperation with NATO member states and Partners in preparing military units for participation in international peace support operations, including at the International Centre of Peacekeeping and Security at the 232nd Combined Armed Forces Training Ground (Yavoriv).[‡]
3. Complete training of military observers, according to NATO standards, for eventual participation in peacekeeping activities in the Transdniestrian region of the Republic of Moldova.

Objective I.1.B.4 Continuing and Broadening Participation in respective peacekeeping operations

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Contribute to the enhancement of stability and security in Iraq and Afghanistan.

1. Participate in the NATO Training Mission-Iraq (NTM-I).[‡]
2. Continue to work bilaterally with the coalition partners, Allies, NATO and the Iraqi and Afghan authorities to determine a Ukrainian contribution to stabilisation and reconstruction in Iraq and Afghanistan.

b. Enhance participation in NATO-led operations.

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

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1. Contribute to Operation "ACTIVE ENDEAVOUR", NATO's maritime surveillance and escort operation in the Mediterranean, based on the provisions of exchange of letters between Ukraine and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization signed on 21 April 2005 in Vilnius. ‡
2. Render practical support to the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan (ISAF). ‡
3. Explore opportunities for offering practical support to the Alliance's to the logistic support of the African Union for Darfur, Sudan. ‡
4. Include military police units in Ukrainian peacekeeping contingents.

c. Improve institutional support to Ukraine's participation in international peace support operations.

1. Establish a Department of Current Operations, based on the Central Command Centre of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. ‡
2. Enhance participation of troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine in international peace support missions, including through the establishment of an active reserve force within the Ministry.
3. Develop a military-scientific compendium of lessons learned from Ukraine's experience in peace support activities.

d. Enhance participation in regional cooperative initiatives.

1. Implement the Document on Measures to Strengthen Trust and Security in the Naval Sphere in the Black Sea.
2. Continue to participate in activities of the multinational on-call naval formation BLACKSEAFOR.

Objective I.1.B.5 The complete observance of international obligations to exercise control over armaments

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve implementation of international export control standards.

1. With the assistance of NATO and NATO member states, assess the compatibility of existing procedures for state control over international deliveries of military and dual-use goods and export and import controls with the requirements of international export control regulations.

‡ Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

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2. Based on this assessment, make necessary improvements to these procedures, including by adapting national legislation in accordance with the EU Code of Conduct.

b. Broaden international cooperation on arms control, disarmament and non-proliferation.

1. Participate in plenary sessions and meetings of working bodies of all relevant international regimes of nonproliferation and export controls, and ensure the full implementation of decisions adopted by these bodies.

2. Enhance information exchanges with the NATO WMD Centre and respective bodies of NATO member states on arms control and disarmament.

3. Facilitate the conduct of inspections on the territory of Ukraine according to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, the Open Skies Treaty, the 1999 Vienna Document, the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty and relevant bilateral agreements.

4. Coordinate arms control verification activities with NATO member states in the framework of the NATO Verification Coordination Committee.

5. Ensure fulfillment of all obligations under the Wassenaar Agreement, the Missile Technology Control Regime, the Group of Nuclear Suppliers, UNSC Resolution 1540, the Zangger Committee, the Australia Group, the OSCE and the UN Registrar.

6. Share information about the export of armaments and defence technology, according to principles of transparency and requirements of relevant international organisations and regimes, while ensuring the protection of restricted information.

7. Draft a Ukrainian–American agreement on cooperation within the framework of the Proliferation Support Initiative (PSI).

8. Establish a programme of cooperation within the framework of the “G-8 Global Partnership Programme”, in particular for implementing the biological security project.

Objective I.1.B.6 The further development of civil-military relations

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Intensify cooperation with non-governmental organizations in analysing problems in the sphere of security and defense.

1. Develop efficient cooperation with non-governmental research and public organisations for assessment of current situation and perspective for reform in the security sector.

2. Promote cooperation with Allies, in order to share their experience in the sphere of military-civil relations.

b. Institute a personnel-organisational structure within the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine responsible for civil-military relations

1. Hold consultations with NATO experts on civil-military relations in NATO member states.
2. Establish, in the Armed Forces of Ukraine, a structural subdivision responsible for civil-military cooperation (J-9, CIMIC).[‡]

Objective I.1.B.7 Broadening participation in international fight against terrorism, including the complete fulfillment of all UN Security Council resolutions associated with this problem as well as participation in measures provided for by the Partnership Action Plan Against Terrorism (PAP-T)

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Deepen bilateral contacts with intelligence services and law-enforcement bodies of NATO member states.

1. Hold regular working meetings with representatives of intelligence services and law-enforcement bodies of NATO member states, as well as the regular exchange of written information.
2. Pursue the creation of a single international database of persons involved in the activities of international terrorist organisations.
3. Pursue international agreements on the extradition of criminals and uniform approaches to their punishment, as well as defining "terrorism".
4. Implement joint education and training of personnel of subdivisions fighting terrorism.

b. Create efficient mechanisms of cooperation between state institutions engaged in the struggle against terrorism.

1. Improve interaction between the Ministry of Defence, Internal Troops of the Ministry of Interior and the Security Service of Ukraine's Antiterrorist Centre.
2. Train representatives of the Armed Forces of Ukraine at the Center of Excellence for Defence Against Terrorism, Armed Forces of Turkey, Ankara.
3. Studying the experience of law-enforcement bodies, military police and other structural subdivisions of NATO member states in counteracting terrorism, and draw lessons for corresponding Ukrainian institutions.
4. Send representatives of the Military Law and Order Service of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to the international conference "Terrorism Discussion Platform - II" in Ankara, Turkey.[‡]

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

c. Involve troops of the Ministry of the Interior in international programmes to fight terrorism.

1. Prepare and submit to appropriate institutions of NATO proposals to involve troops of the Ministry of the Interior in international programmes to fight terrorism.
2. Prepare proposals to provide antiterrorist training to personnel of troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine.

Objective I.1.B.8 The further introduction of domestic measures in the sphere of fight against terrorism, in particular by means of strengthening the security of borders and the system of export control with a view to fighting against proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and means of delivery as well as against money laundering

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Continue cooperation between Ukraine and USA for reformation of the State Border Service of Ukraine and construct border facilities.

1. Ensure the fulfillment of bilateral agreements concluded with the U.S. Departments of Defense and Energy.

b. Settle matters associated with the border between Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus.

1. Encourage the ratification by Belarus of the Treaty Between Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus on the State Border of May 12, 1997.
2. Proceed with the demarcation of the Ukrainian-Belarusian state border (after the entry into force of the Treaty Between Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus on the State Border of May 12, 1997).

c. Seek international technical assistance in constructing border facilities.

1. Establish bilateral cooperation in the context of the "Request of the Government of Ukraine Addressed to the Government of Canada for Rendering Technical Assistance in Constructing Facilities on the Border of Ukraine" under the Global Partnership Programme.

d. Improve the efficiency of border and customs control at the Transdnistria section of the Ukrainian-Moldavian state border.

1. Rigorously implement the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding in Respect of the Mission of the European Commission Designed for Rendering Assistance in

‡ Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

Matters of Border in Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova, and coordinate the work of public bodies of Ukraine involved in monitoring.

2. Improve the institutional capacity of the State Border Service and the State Customs Service of Ukraine by providing them with relevant equipment, organising consultations and holding exercises sponsored by the Mission of the European Commission Designed for Rendering Assistance in Matters of Border in Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova.

3. Ensure observance and upgrading of current legislation concerning the transportation of cargoes through the Transdnistria section of the Ukrainian-Moldavian state border.

4. Coordinate with the authorities of Republic of Moldova, including at local level, with a view to improving the legal framework for border control.

e. Prepare bodies of control and special-purpose subdivisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for participation in performing antiterrorist operations.

1. Improve the personnel-organisational structure, the system of recruitment and equipment of special-purpose subdivisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for counteracting diversions and terrorist acts, in accordance with the standards of leading antiterrorist subdivisions of NATO member states.[‡]

2. Implement joint activities of the Anti-Terrorist Centre of the Security Service of Ukraine and the Armed Forces of Ukraine, including command-post and tactical training exercises devoted to countering terrorism.

3. Conduct a scientific-technical conference (workshop) on current problems and prospects for the engagement of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the fight against terrorism.[‡]

4. Intensify the involvement of the Training Center of the Military Law Enforcement Service in the Armed Forces of Ukraine (the city of L'viv) in preparing personnel to take countermeasures against diversions and terrorist acts, and to participate in anti-terrorist and peacekeeping operations.

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

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I.2. Economic issues

Objective I.2.1 Promoting sustainable development, including restructuring of economy for the purpose of stable annual GDP growth, low inflation rate, growth of the real income of population and abridgement of budget deficit.

For the purpose of achievement of the Objective the following tasks are to be fulfilled:

a. Ensure a real increase in GDP of 7.0%, an inflation rate no higher than 9.0%, and a real increase in the monthly average salary of the employees by 11.9%*.

1. Ensure implementation of the state, sectoral and regional programmes of social and economic development.

b. Proceed with restructuring of the Ukrainian economy on the basis of an innovative development model, increase the efficiency of use of the scientific and technical and technological potential of enterprises; increase the role of science.

1. Develop a methodology of qualitative and quantitative assessment and comprehensive criteria for preparedness of Ukraine to join NATO in the economic and social spheres.

2. * Hold a meeting of the Ukraine-NATO Joint Working Group on Economic Security with an agenda focusing on energy security.

3. Hold an international scientific and practical conference on "Vital problems of restructuring Ukraine's economy in the context of European and Euro-Atlantic integration", and prepare appropriate recommendations for publication in scientific-informational digests.

Objective I.2.2 Impose moratorium and initiate draft laws on the additional privileges.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective the following tasks are to be fulfilled:

a. Impose a moratorium on the granting of new and extension of existing tax privileges.

1. Adapt fiscal legislation to the principles and instructions of the European Union, taking into account the interests of the internal systemic markets.

2. Adapt tariff and customs legislation to WTO standards.

3. Initiate the elimination of taxes that cost more to administer than they yield in revenue.

* According to data provided by the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine's, as of 29.11.2005.

4. Initiate the elimination of privileges of individual economic entities or individual territories, except in the agricultural sphere.

5. Bring rules of levying income tax into conformity with international accounting standards, and eliminate discriminative norms with respect to certain spheres or types of activity.

Objective I.2.3 Provide conditions necessary for joining the WTO.

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Complete negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the WTO.

1. Ensure adoption of draft legislation in accordance with WTO requirements.
2. Ensure the implementation of the action plan for realization of the State target programme of standardisation for 2006-2010.
3. Facilitate the preparation of a Working Group report on consideration of Ukraine's application for WTO membership.
4. Following the conclusion of negotiations, promote adoption of the draft Law of Ukraine *On ratification of the Protocol on accession of Ukraine to the WTO*, as well as a package of draft laws designed to implement Ukraine's commitments in connection with WTO accession.

Objective I.2.4 Promote economic cooperation between Ukraine, NATO and other partner states.

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Create conditions for Ukraine's full integration into the world economic space.

1. Analyse the country's current economic condition and prepare a comprehensive report, "Competitive Ukraine".
2. Develop and adopt a state program to ensure the competitiveness of the Ukrainian economy .
3. Initiate work on development of a draft agreement on creation of a free trade zone between Ukraine and the European Union.
4. Intensify cooperation with the EU and NATO member states in developing trans-European transport corridors.
5. Prepare a draft Ukrainian-American agreement on cooperation in the sphere of research and the peaceful use of space.
6. Promote investment by international financial organisations in the production in Ukraine of high-end advanced technology products.

7. Develop draft regulations establishing a consolidated air traffic control system, and ensure the implementation of the first phase of its introduction, with the involvement of foreign investors.

Objective I.2.5 Reform the defence economy in order to attain the objective of Ukraine in respect of integration in the Euro-Atlantic structures

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Continue reform of the military-industrial complex of Ukraine towards conversion and diversification.

1. Ensure the implementation of the action plan of the State programme of reform and development of the military-industrial complex for the period until 2010.

2. Ensure implementation of the action plan of the National space programme 2003-2007.

3. Develop and adopt a Ukraine-NATO programme of cooperation in the military-technical sphere until 2010.

4. Conduct scientific research and development work on vital issues of formulation and implementation of military and technical policy, and prepare relevant recommendations and publish scientific guides.

5. * With the support of the NATO-IS Defence and Security Economics Directorate, conduct executive workshop(s) with the Ministry of Defence in order to support good governance and optimum management of defence resources.

Objective I.2.6 Establish institutional environment which shall stimulate business activity, economic growth on the basis of the structural and innovative transformations, establishment of the modern social infrastructure and mechanisms of the social and market economy with the concurrent support of the adequate network of social protection.

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Introduce an innovative model of structural reconstruction of the economy, and methodology of the strategic programme and target planning of the social-economic development of Ukraine.

1. Develop draft regulations to implement the strategic programme and target method of planning of development of the priority branches of economy and spheres of activity of Ukraine.

2. Develop a state program of economic and social development of Ukraine for 2007.

3. Develop measures to implement a long-term programme of social and economic development of Ukraine based on the innovative model of structural reconstruction of economy.
4. Study international practice and develop draft regulations to introduce international standards of budgetary transparency, and report on the results of their implementation.
5. Develop and ensure the approval of draft legislation on the procedure and criteria of determining a minimum wages.

Objective 1.2.7 Implement economic and structural reforms taking account of the recommendations of the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other international institutions, including measures for promotion of privatization, fight against corruption and increase in transparency of state expenditures.

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Continue cooperation with international economic and finance institutions with the aim of improving the investment situation in Ukraine.

1. Implement structural reform projects supported by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, including the project The loan for support of the development policy.
2. Improve the transparency and efficiency of the privatisation process; facilitate the involvement of foreign investors in economic activity.
3. Hold an international scientific-practical conference on “Vital problems of counteracting crime in the context of Ukraine’s European and Euro-Atlantic integration”, prepare a Draft state target programme on counteracting crime as a national security threat.

Objective 1.2.8 Enhance the land reform process.

For the purpose of attaining of the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Complete demarcation of lands of state and communal ownership, establish a system of state registration of real property rights, and agricultural advisory bodies.

1. Complete an inventory of agricultural lands, withdrawing from circulation degraded lands and lands unfit for agriculture; make impossible the unmotivated different categorization of the agricultural lands.
2. Establish a single system of registration of land plots and real property rights; develop a land-information databank and complete the issuance of state title certificates.
3. Conduct state agro-chemical certification of agricultural lands, issuing state model documents.

4. Develop a system of secondary reclamation of neglected (non-degraded) agricultural lands, including those reclaimed by means of support of farms and newly established agricultural enterprises.

b. Ensure the development of an adequate legal framework for land reform

1. Develop a national programme of protection of lands, development and planning of land utilisation. Revise and adopt the State target programme of agricultural advisory activity for 2006-2009.

2. Develop and ensure the adoption of draft legislation on: the state land cadastre; state inventory of lands; management of state-owned lands; redemption of lands for social needs.

3. Implement the 2006 Action Plan on “Restoration and protection of water resources and regulation of fishing”.

4. Implement the Action plan for implementation of programmes:

- “Financial support of manufacture of animal and plant growing products”;
- “Agro-chemical certification of agricultural lands”;
- “Financial support of farms”;
- “Granting credits to farms”;
- “State tax crediting of the individual countryside builders”.

Objective 1.2.9 Guarantee the economic rights and freedoms of citizens in all forms, including by means of strengthening of intellectual property rights protection.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Improvement of legislation in the sphere of the economic rights and freedoms of citizens, the intellectual property in accordance with the regulations of the international law.

1. Complete and promote the adoption of the draft laws:

- On amendments to the Law of Ukraine On the protection of rights to the industrial models;
- On amendments to the Law of Ukraine On the right to inventions and useful models;
- On amendments to the Law of Ukraine On protection of rights to IC topographies.
- On amendments to the Law of Ukraine On the copyright and allied rights
- On protection of rights on trademarks, geographical denominations and commercial names

2. Introduce principles of standardized documents circulation into the National depository system.

3. Elaborate regulations to ensure a systemic unified approach to the procedure of bankruptcy and restructuring of enterprises of various forms of ownership and in various branches of the economy, including protection of the owner’s and creditor’s rights, and improved procedures to re-establish debtor solvency.

Objective I.2.10 Creation of necessary preconditions for formation of the middle class.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Promote improvement in the standard of living of Ukraine's citizens, with the goal of achieving European social and economic standards.

1. Ensure annual real growth of wages, pensions, other social payments; improve the quality of medical, educational and cultural services, the efficiency of development of small and mid-sized businesses.
2. Develop a methodology of qualitative and quantitative assessment of the standard of living of the population, the quantity and structure of the middle class, the factors influencing its formation, making proposals in respect of improvement of the respective regulatory legal acts.

Objective I.2.11 Clampdown the difference in actual wages between the strata of population with high and low income and making efforts for elimination of poverty.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Facilitate the phased narrowing of the gap in earnings between the strata of population with high and low income.

1. Complete and promote adoption of the Law of Ukraine *On compulsory provision of pensions to specific categories of persons through professional and corporate pension funds.*
2. Introduce a compulsory contribution-based state pension insurance.
3. Create conditions to reduce the unemployment level of the population aged 15-70 to no more than 7,5% (according to ILO methodology).
4. Improve social protection of persons serving prison sentences for criminal offences.
5. **Approximate social security payments to the minimum living standard.**

Objective I.2.12 Reinforcement of power security

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Ensure power security of Ukraine, including through diversification of fuel and energy sources.

1. Conduct financial stabilization of enterprises of the fuel and energy complex of Ukraine and increasing the efficiency of their operation, adequate supply of energy resources and timely response to crisis situation, investments in the infrastructure of the energy systems.
2. Implement a programme of construction of power units of nuclear, water-storage and other power plants as well as backbone, mountain and village power lines.
3. Implement the second stage of implementation of the Concept of functioning and development of the wholesale market of electric power of Ukraine.
4. Proceed with realization of the strategic projects, in particular “Eurasian oil transport corridor”.
5. Develop and adopt a draft Concept of State program of development of small-scale hydroenergetics.

b. Enhance the physical security of Ukraine’s energy infrastructure.

1. Ensure the security of oil and gas transit lines on the territory of Ukraine, drawing upon the know-how and investment resources of leading European energy concerns and financial institutions.
2. Develop a draft state system for protection of nuclear power objects, nuclear materials, and other sources of nuclear radiation from acts of terrorism.
3. Implement the programme “Physical protection of nuclear facilities and nuclear materials”
4. Establish a Single State Energetic Crisis Center.
5. Conduct an international scientific-practical conference on “Nuclear security in the context of the fight against terrorism: corporate aspects” and prepare follow-on recommendations.

I.3. Informational issues

Objective I.3.1 Improvement and ensuring the realization of guaranties of freedom of thought and freedom of speech, freedom of press, free expression of views and access to information

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Develop Ukraine's national information space, including through the establishment of a system of public television and radio broadcasting.

1. Promote the adoption of the Law of Ukraine "On introducing amendments to the Law of Ukraine "On public television and radio broadcasting system of Ukraine""
2. Conduct public consultations on "The role of mass media in strengthening freedom of speech and human rights: regional dimension"

Objective I.3.2 Ensuring free acquisition, publishing and spreading of information by mass media.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Eliminate control, censorship and interference in the professional activity of journalists.

1. Promote the adoption of draft laws of Ukraine *On protection of professional activity of journalists*, and *On information*. These draft laws are designed to improve existing conditions in Ukraine to ensure the freedom of mass media on the basis of respective recommendations of the Council of Europe, to honour the principle of the freedom of mass media, including the respect of rights of journalists.

b. Eliminate concentration and monopolism in national information entities, create preconditions for joining the European information space.

1. Adopt and implement the European Convention on transboundary television, and its additional Protocol.
2. Organise a series of workshops for Ukrainian specialists on application of provisions of the European convention on transboundary television, under the auspices of the Council of Europe.
3. Conduct roundtables with representatives of regional state television and radio broadcasting companies on ratification of the European Convention on transboundary television.
4. Ensure observance of the Law of Ukraine "On protection of moral principles".

Objective 1.3.3 Implement relevant legislation for elimination of impediments to the activity of mass media.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Systematise national legislation on informational activity on the basis of international and European information law.

1. Elaboration a draft Law of Ukraine *On denationalisation of print media*.

Objective 1.3.4 Intensification of the informational dimension of Ukraine-NATO cooperation including parliamentary cooperation.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Intensification of Ukraine-NATO cooperation in the information sphere

1. * Ensure participation of representatives of the structural subdivisions of the central executive bodies, regional administrations in joint expert consultations, roundtable meetings, conferences, etc., with NATO.

2. Ensure participation of experts of the central executive bodies in the meetings of the European Integration Committee of the Verkhovna Rada and its sub-committee during the consideration of issues related to Euro-Atlantic integration of Ukraine.

3. * Continue organising, under the auspices of NATO Information and Documentation Centre, visits to NATO Headquarters of members of executive bodies, media, NGOs and other appropriate strata of Ukrainian society.

4. * Organise, under the auspices of NATO Information and Documentation Centre, tailor-made visits to NATO Headquarters in Brussels for new members of the Verkhovna Rada and Ukrainian military journalists.

Objective 1.3.5 Increase in the level of public awareness of NATO through cooperation of Ukraine and NATO in the sphere of information including cooperation with NATO Information and Documentation Center in Ukraine.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Strengthen informational activity of public authorities with respect to Ukraine-NATO cooperation.

1. Ensure implementation of the Action plan of the state programme of public information on matters of Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration for 2004-2007 as an important element of public awareness campaign on NATO issues.

2. Hold briefings for officials of the central executive bodies participating in activities related to Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration policy.

3. Ensure regular updates of the Euro-Atlantic integration-related content of the web-sites of the central executive bodies, improve the Ukraine–NATO cooperation web-portal.

4. * Organise, on the basis of the officers' clubs of the Ministry of Defence and under the auspices of NATO Information and Documentation Center, a traveling photo exhibition on NATO and a related photo contest "Partners for security".

5. Ensure preparation and publication of six issues of the research and information magazine "Ukraine–NATO" and six issues of the scientific and analytical bulletin "Euroatlantikainform".

6. Ensure consideration and adoption of the National Information Strategy on the Issues of Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine. Commit human and financial resources for implementation of the National Information Strategy in support of Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration.

b. Enhance coordination of the central public authorities of public information on Ukraine-NATO matters.

1. Initiate regular discussions at meetings of the Interagency commission for the development of informational sphere of Ukraine's information policy on Euro-Atlantic integration.

2. Inform the central executive bodies on current matters of Ukraine-NATO cooperation, including through publication of weekly informational bulletins "Ukraine on its way to NATO".

c. Monitor public opinion on Ukraine-NATO cooperation.

1. Establish a system of social and expert monitoring of changes in the attitude of various strata of population to the processes of integration of Ukraine to the EU and NATO.

2. Conduct social research on the attitude of the population toward the prospect of Ukraine's membership in NATO.

d. Increase the level of awareness of youth of the matters of regional security and the role of Ukraine and NATO in the system of European security.

1. * Support activities of the NATO Information and Documentation Centre, in particular in conducting the winter academy "New outline of European security" and summer academy "Euro-Atlantic security and the role of NATO in the ex-Soviet space", organization of roundtables and scientific and practical conferences.

2. Organise a seminar with the participation of new NATO member countries on their experience in reviewing history and social sciences textbooks in line with their efforts to join the Alliance.

Section II. SECURITY AND DEFENSE AND MILITARY ISSUES

II. A. Reform in the spheres of security and defense

Objective II.A.1 Reform of the Armed forces of Ukraine for the purpose of transformation to the well trained and equipped, more mobilized and modern armed forces, capable of responses to the dangers to security, protection of the territory of the state and making contribution to the peacemaking and humanitarian missions under the auspices of international organizations.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Ensure full implementation of the State programme of development of the Armed forces of Ukraine for 2006-2011.

1. Improve the organisational structure of the Ministry of Defence and the General Staff of the Armed forces in accordance with the requirements of the Regulation on the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine and on the General Staff of the Armed forces of Ukraine.
2. Develop a new system of combat and mobilisation preparedness training according to NATO standards.
3. Form the optimal correlation of senior and junior officers and civil specialists according to NATO standards.
4. Implement the State Programme of development of the armament and combat equipment for the period until 2009.
5. Reform intelligence structures in accordance with NATO standards.
6. Ensure reduction of the Armed Forces of Ukraine's personnel by 24.000 personnel.

b. Improve the system of administration of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1. Establish a NATO-compatible joint operational command.‡
2. Examine the development trends of administration of the armed forces of Ukraine taking account of the administration practices of the NATO member-states.
3. Create in the Armed Forces of Ukraine a single automated administration system and a digital integral connection network, integrated into the telecommunication networks of Ukraine.

4. * Improve the structures of defence planning of the types of Armed Forces of Ukraine, with the goal of achieving NATO standards. Pursue personnel exchanges with NATO Headquarters and in the NATO member-states in the field of defence planning.

‡ Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

5. Develop a concept for the development of Logistics System for the Armed Forces of Ukraine, including arrangements for the involvement of Ukrainian logistics units in multinational operations according to NATO standards.

c. Improve the system of military education.[‡]

1. Streamline the network of the higher military educational institutions.
2. Introduce a continuous phased system of training of military specialists.
3. Improve the existing network of military educational centres and colleges, and establish field-specific and specialised centers.

4.* Train research and educational personnel of the National Academy of Defense of Ukraine at the NATO Defense College (Rome).

d. Create an efficient logistical system.

1. Complete the creation of a comprehensive information protection system of the local network of the Situational Centre of the Main Command Centre of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

2. * Elaborate, in consultation with NATO, conceptual documents in the sphere of logistics, including for involvement of the logistics subunits in multinational peacekeeping operations.[‡]

3. * Implement a Ukraine-NATO pilot project on the future structure of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the field of logistics and medical logistics.

4. Introduce the Allied deployment and movement system (ADAMS).[‡]

e. Facilitate the staffing of the Armed Forces of Ukraine with contract servicemen, develop a professional Corps of sergeants of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1. Implement the experimental staffing of three brigades with contract servicemen.
2. Implement the programme of development of the professional Corps of sergeants in the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

f. Ensure reliable social protection for servicemen and their family members.

[‡] Included in the MC+UKR WP 06.

1. * Implement the NATO/Pfp Trust Fund for the Retraining and Resettlement of Released military personnel.

2. Expand and diversify the NATO Ukraine Retraining Programme for retired military personnel and those who are going to retire.

3. * Develop plans for a comprehensive resettlement programme for retired military personnel, with the assistance of NATO expertise.

g. Introduce a system of integrated border management and acquisition of new technical means for intensification of border protection.

1. Continue implementation (through the US Department of Defense/Threat Reduction Agency) of the joint US-Ukrainian project *Intensification of border management on the Ukrainian-Moldovan state border*.

2. Introduce advanced systems of border control of persons and vehicles, including biometrical control systems; introduce a system of joint control with neighbouring countries; regulate border traffic; create automated information systems and complexes of border control.

3. Promote the possibility to develop draft legislation regulating issues connected with VAT exemption, operations on sale and import (transfer) of goods (works, service), purchased or brought in (transferred) for personal needs by sub-units of the Armed Forces of the member-states of the PfP SOFA.

h. Further reform the Border Troops of Ukraine.

1. Prepare and adopt a Comprehensive programme of reconstruction and development of the state border until 2015.

2. Adapt legislation on the state border to international rules and EU legislation.

3. Reform the system of administration of the border troops in accordance with generally accepted European standards.

4. Transform existing sub-units on the Ukrainian-Russian border into departments of the border service.

Objective II.A.2 Intensification of civil control of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and other military formations, including the increase in the level of cooperation with the Parliament and enhancement of its control, and more active participation of civil persons in the decision making process in the field of security

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Ensure training of military and civil experts of structural subdivisions of the Ministry of Defence and the General Staff of the Armed Forces in civil and military

relations, military policy, strategic planning within IPP short term courses and bilateral cooperation initiatives.

1. * Implement the JWGDR Programme for Professional Development of Civilian Personnel Employed in Ukrainian Security Institutions, which, in 2006 will consist of the personnel of the Ministry of Defence.

2. Introduce into the National Defence Academy of Ukraine the new discipline "Public Information" (master's degree), in order to provide the Armed Forces of Ukraine with qualified specialists in public relations.

b. Improve transparency and openness in the execution of punishment.

1. Adapt the system of informing servicemen and the general public in accordance with Alliance standards. Establish structural subdivisions in all branches of the military for public relations and interaction with mass media.

2. Evaluate the activity of regional supervisory commissions and public councils of the State Department of Ukraine on Execution of Punishments; ensure representation of public organisations in them, and forms and methods of public control.

3. Promote establishment and efficient functioning of public boards to the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Emergencies, the Administration of the State Border Service of Ukraine, and other executive bodies.

Objective II.A.3 Consolidation of the government structures for the purpose of better response to challenges related to non-military and non-central threats.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Introduce the position of freelance advisor to the headquarters of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine.

1. Facilitate the work of an officer of the National Gendarmerie of France in the Headquarters of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine as a freelance advisor.

b. Implement a joint Ukrainian-French project on establishment of a Training Centre for Public Order Support Forces on the basis of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior.

1. Elaborate and approve a project to establish a Training Centre for Public Order Support Forces on the basis of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior, with expert advice and financial support of France.

2. Establish infrastructure and communications for the Training Centre for Public Order Support Forces on the basis of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior.

Objective II.A.4 Strengthening state interagency coordination among the Ministry of Defense, the Ministry of industrial policy, the frontier troops, the Ministry of

Emergencies, the Ministry of Interior for the purpose of improvement of response to the consequences of the natural and man-caused disasters, including terrorist acts.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Improve interaction among the General Staff of the Armed Forces, the Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Emergencies, the Security Service of Ukraine, and the State Border Service in planning, preparation and use of forces and facilities in the event of natural and man-made emergencies.

1. Elaborate a database and information system *“Emergencies in the armed Forces of Ukraine”*.
2. Introduce into the Armed Forces of Ukraine a system of monitoring the preparedness of the forces and facilities of the Armed Forces of Ukraine involved in emergency response.
3. Develop a Manual for organisation of management of forces and facilities of the armed Forces of Ukraine in crisis situations (organisation of interaction in planning, preparation and execution of measures on elimination of consequences of natural and man-made disasters, including terrorist acts).
4. Work toward NATO standards in training, retraining and advanced training of civil protection service rescue personnel.
5. Create a system of medical response to emergencies within the Ministry of Emergencies of Ukraine compatible with European standards.

II. B. Cooperation with NATO

Objective II.B.1 Maximal use of the potential of the Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Defence Reform, enhancement of the role and coordination of practical Ukraine–NATO cooperation within the framework of Partnership for Peace Programme and in bilateral cooperation for the purpose of promotion of implementation of the National objectives of the defence reform and Partnership objectives.

For the purpose of attaining the Objective it is planned to take the following measures:

a. Work toward applying generally accepted standards of NATO member states to the national security sector of Ukraine, particularly through the continued implementation of the 2006 JWGDR Work Programme.

1. * Formulate, with NATO and Allied assistance, a national security sector reform policy to provide comprehensive guidance for the transformation of Ukraine's security sector to include the reform strategies for the internal security forces.

2. * Establish a lead authority in Ukraine to exercise responsibility, co-ordination, and oversight of security sector reform efforts.

3. * Launch under the JWGDR and with NATO and Allied technical and expert assistance a comprehensive security sector review to address all policies, institutions, and mechanisms which relate to the security of Ukraine

4. * Establish NATO-Ukraine expert working groups to address the reform requirements for all components of Ukraine's security sector to include the Troops of the Ministry of the Interior, the Ministry of Emergencies and Affairs of Population Protection from the Consequences of the Chernobyl Catastrophe, the Security Service, the State External Intelligence Service, the State Export Control Service, and the State Border Guard Service.

5. * Organize NATO-Ukraine high level conference on the issues of the status and prospects of the security sector reform in Ukraine.

6. * Continue the NATO-Ukraine roundtables under the auspices of the JWGDR on civil and democratic control of Ukraine's security sector.

7. * Organise a series of JWGDR seminars to address the roles of the civil society in implementing security sector reforms; training of security forces in human rights and ethical standards; and integration of non-statutory security forces, formations and movements into a democratic society.

8. Based on the results of the national security sector survey, elaborate the assessment document and submit it to the National Security and Defence Council of Ukraine for consideration.

9. * Enhance cooperation within the Ukraine-NATO Joint Working Group on Defence Reform on the evaluation of draft legislation in the sphere of military security.

b. Harmonise bilateral programmes of assistance using the “clearinghouse” mechanism.

1. * Ensure participation in Ukraine-NATO meetings in “clearinghouse” format for the purpose of identifying current problems in the sphere of defence and security sector reform and the appropriate mechanisms for their settlement.‡

c. Enhance participation of the troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine in PfP programmes.

1. Ensure the participation of the Ministry of the Interior in events provided for by the Ukraine–NATO Individual Partnership Programme (IPP) within its sphere of competence.

2. Ensure professional training of personnel of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine according to NATO requirements and standards, using resources and opportunities of the Ukraine–NATO Individual Partnership Programme (IPP).

3. Ensure representation of troops of the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine at Partnership elements of NATO military headquarters.

Objective II.B.2 Ensuring the orientation of military cooperation between Ukraine and NATO at further attaining the proclaimed goal of Ukraine to increase the capacity of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in implementing plans of military reform

For the purpose of attaining the purpose, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Harmonise programmes of bilateral and multilateral (in the format of NATO) cooperation aimed at the implementation of defence reform plans.

1.* Hold regular consultations on the implementation of defense reform plans within the framework of the Ukraine–NATO Commission at the level of ministers of defense.

2.* Hold sessions of the Ukraine–NATO Military Committee on the level of chiefs of staff, in particular in Ukraine. ‡

3.* Hold the sixth annual International Week of NATO in Ukraine. ‡

‡ Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

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4.* Participate in the 12th annual international policy and security seminar "Armed Forces in a democratic society", held by the German Foundation of Science and Policy of the International Institute of Security Policy, the Federal Ministry of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany (Berlin) and NATO Headquarters (Brussels) for top executives of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

5. Pursue opportunities for conducting regular consultations to harmonize various bilateral and multilateral cooperation programmes.

Objective II.B.3 Increasing the contribution of Ukraine to peacemaking operations under the aegis of NATO on Balkan Peninsula and to measures taken by member states of the Alliance within the framework of fight against terrorism.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Continue participation in KFOR under the direction of NATO.

1. Establish a Ukrainian-Polish-Lithuanian battalion on the basis of the Ukrainian-Polish battalion, which forms part of the Multinational Forces in Kosovo (KFOR).[‡]

b. Expand Ukraine's participation in operations to maintain regional stability and security.

1. Render assistance in training military personnel and in supplying defence and technical material to satisfy the requirements of Afghanistan, and facilitate the transportation of NATO cargoes through the territory of Ukraine to Afghanistan.[‡]

2. Provide air transport support as necessary to NATO's logistic support of the peacekeeping operation of the African Union in Sudan (province Darfur).[‡]

3. Complete domestic procedures for Ukraine's joining of the operation "Black Sea Harmony", conducted by the Navy of Turkey.

4.* Hold the third session of the Ukraine–NATO forum for sharing experience in reacting to modern threats to international security and stability.

5. Conclude an Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on the transit of German personnel and military cargoes through the territory of Ukraine.

c. Participate in the NATO Training Mission-Iraq and in measures of the Alliance to equip the National Security Forces of Iraq.

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

1. Prepare and transfer to the Republic of Iraq armaments, military equipment and property of the Ukrainian contingent stationed in the country while elaborating the necessary regulations.

2.* Include military police sub-divisions (specialists) in a Ukrainian contingent in the NATO Training Mission-Iraq for the purpose of training Iraqi law enforcement structures.‡

d. Initiate practical support to NATO's operation "ACTIVE ENDEAVOUR" (OAE).

1.* Establish an OAE Contact Point on the basis of the Headquarters of the Navy of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. ‡

2. Train the sea component of the Navy of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, with a view to a possible active role in OAE.

e. Continue providing support to ISAF.

1. Continue providing air corridor over the territory of Ukraine for over-flights by the aircraft of NATO member states participating in the operation in Afghanistan.

2. Create proper conditions for transportation of NATO cargos to Afghanistan via the territory of Ukraine. Continue development of the relevant agreement for transit of NATO personnel and cargos through the territory of Ukraine.

3. Consider other forms of contribution to ISAF, including participation in the Provincial Reconstruction Teams.

Objective II.B.4 Reaching the complete mutual compatibility, efficiency and readiness to fulfill tasks by subdivisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine by means of the complete implementation of Partnership Objectives.

For the purpose of attaining the objective, it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve mechanisms of participation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the Planning and Review Process (PARP) and the Implementation of Partnership Goals.‡

1. * Develop a renewed package of Partnership Goals for 2006–2007, within existing demands and resource constraints of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and taking account of programmes of international technical assistance.

2. * Hold an annual conference on the Planning and Review Process (PARP) and the Implementation of Partnership Goals in the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

‡ Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

3. Develop a Directive of the Minister of Defence "On the Results of the Participation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the Planning and Review Process in 2004–2005 and Tasks for 2006–2007"

4. Introduce automation into the Fund of Regulations of the Ministry of Defence.

5. Participate in "Partnership for Peace" programmes according to the Individual Partnership Programme Between Ukraine and NATO for 2006.[‡]

6. Prepare and transmit to relevant NATO structures information about plans for the development of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and defence expenditures (Review of general mutual compatibility within the framework of the Planning and Review Process).

b. Develop a NATO-interoperable system of information and communications.

1. Equip sub-divisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine designated for participation in the Planning and Review Process with communication systems interoperable with NATO multinational communication systems.[‡]

2.* Participate in consultations with representatives of the NATO Consultation, Command and Control Organisation, NATO International Military Staff and International Secretariat (NHQC3S IMS, IS) on achieving interoperability in identifying objects.

3. Continue publication of topographic maps of Ukraine on the scale of 1:250,000, according to NATO standards.

c. Bring the structure of control bodies of the Joint Rapid Reaction Forces designated for participation in the Planning and Review Process into conformity with NATO standards.

1. Expand the list of forces and means designated for participation in the Planning and Review Process and declared to the Pool of Forces within the framework of the Operational Capabilities Concept (OCC).

2. Finalise the Programme of Training Sub-divisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine Designated for Participation in the Third Stage of the Planning and Review Process, taking account of requirements of NATO Tactical Doctrine for Land Forces (ATP-35(B)) and appropriate NATO guiding documents applied to sub-divisions during multinational operations.

3. Apply mechanisms of the Operational Capabilities Concept Evaluation and Feedback Programme in training sub-divisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine designated for participation in the Planning and Review Process; extend the Programme to sub-divisions of the Joint Rapid Reaction Forces and experimental brigades.[‡]

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

4. Present Ukraine's operational capabilities in the sphere of chemical, bacteriological, radiological and nuclear protection.

d. Implement technical standards of interoperability of armaments and defence equipment of sub-divisions established in the Planning and Review Process.

1. Develop a Programme of Phased Introduction of NATO Normative Documents on Safe Storage of Ammunition and Firearms (parts 1–4 of the AASTP).

e. Bring the system of codification of articles supplied to the Armed Forces of Ukraine into conformity with requirements of the NATO single codification system.

1. Introduce, in the Armed Forces of Ukraine, a classifier of articles supplied in NATO AcodP2 (implementation of STANAG 3150).

2. Introduce, in the Armed Forces of Ukraine, NATO rules for identifying articles supplied (implementation of STANAG 3151).

f. Further develop military personnel.

1. Publish, at the Ukrainian National Defence Academy, a teaching aid on staff planning developed on the basis of NATO concepts, procedures and standards.

2. Train experts of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in standardizing, auditing and guaranteeing quality according to NATO standards, and in assessing interoperability.[‡]

g. Ensure the participation of sub-divisions of troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine in the Planning and Review Process.

1.* Hold bilateral negotiations and consultations with NATO experts on the terms of participation of troops of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine in the Planning and Review Process.

2. Develop criteria to determine those sub-divisions of interior troops of the Ministry of Interior of Ukraine to be designated for participation in the Planning and Review Process, according to NATO requirements

Objective II.B.5 Raising the level of professional training of Ukrainian civil and military personnel.

a. Improve professional training of experts of bodies of military command and control.

1. Establish extension courses for officers of structural units, particularly at brigade level and above.

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

2. Initiate training of representatives of structural sub-divisions of bodies of command and control of operational-strategic units on developing doctrine, planning, preparing and using national forces as an element of NATO Combined Joint Task Forces (CJTF).

3. Ensure the fulfillment of the Plan of Measures to Be Taken by the Ministry of Defence Concerning the Fulfillment, in 2006, the State Programme of Training, Retraining and Raising the Level of Skill of Specialists in the Sphere of European and Euro-Atlantic Integration of Ukraine for 2004–2007.

4. Develop and Approve a Procedure of Training, Retraining and Raising Skill of Civil Personnel for the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

5.* Ensure participation of representatives of the Armed Forces in conferences and meetings of working and research groups of the Consortium of Defense Academies of the Programme "Partnership for Peace".

6. Through the bilateral Ukrainian-U.S. Coordination Committee of the American Programme International Military Education and Training (IMET), improve the level of professional training of military and civilian personnel of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

7.* Ensure training, internship and retraining personnel of troops of the Ministry of the Interior at educational institutions and centres for military police formations of NATO member states.

8. Maintain current annual funding levels for the participation of Ukrainian military personnel in the Canadian Military Training Assistance Programme.

b. Improve language skills of military and civilian personnel.

1. Ensure 12-week high-level English-language courses for officers of sub-divisions and units of the Planning and Review Process and the Joint Rapid Reaction Forces, and of those units recruiting persons on a contract basis.

2. Establish, in formations designated for experimental functioning on a contract basis, a group for training officers at day courses of English (with the support of the British Council "Peacekeeping English" Programme), and include the study of English in the programme of combat training and training of officers.

3.* Train civil and military personnel of the Ministry of Emergencies at NATO civil emergency planning courses, including on search and rescue operations and military-civil cooperation.

4. Study the experience of NATO member countries with respect to civil emergency planning (protection of population and territories), the structure and composition of forces (with respect to civil protection) and the methodology of planning, reforming and developing the above forces.

5. Organise the training of officers of the State Border Service at educational institutions of the border services of Germany, France and other countries, as well as their participation in relevant conferences and seminars.
6. Train officers and civilian personnel at the George C. Marshall European Centre for Security Studies (Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany).
7. Ensure foreign-language instruction by foreign specialists at educational institutions of the Ministry of the Interior, and raise the level of skill of teachers of the Ministry of Interior through study abroad.
8. Train personnel of the Armed Forces of Ukraine at intensive foreign language courses (English, German, Arabic, Turkish, etc.) at higher military educational institutions.
9. Further develop the system of language testing of personnel of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and introduce certification of the level of foreign language knowledge according to standardized language levels (SLL), along the lines of NATO STANAG 6001.

Objective II.B.6 Continuing the development and introduction of agreements on cooperation between Ukraine and NATO, such as the Memorandum on Mutual Understanding About Ensuring Support to NATO Operations by Ukraine and the Memorandum on Mutual Understanding About Strategic Air Transportation as well as ensuring their complete implementation.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

1. Facilitate the ratification by the Verkhovna Rada of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and Allied Command Transformation and Allied Command Operations on the Use of Ukrainian Strategic Transport Aviation in NATO Operations and Exercises.
2. Ensure implementation of agreements between Ukraine and NATO on transit, through the territory of Ukraine, within the framework of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Headquarters of the Commander-in-Chief of NATO Allied Forces at the Atlantic and the Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander in Europe on Ensuring Support to NATO Operations by Ukraine.
3. Draft a Catalogue of Opportunities to Support NATO Multinational Exercises and Operations by Ukraine.

Objective II.B.7 The maintenance of subdivisions of Allied Rapid Deployment Forces to participate in joint NATO operations and the training of these subdivisions in accordance with NATO standards.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

- a. **Prepare the United Rapid Deployment Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, which could be deployed and participate in international peacekeeping operations.**

1. Establish centres for simulation modeling in types of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for the purpose of using them in the course of preparing control bodies and means of the United Rapid Deployment Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.
2. Provide normative, legal and resource support to the establishment of an international Black Sea training centre for training marines on the basis of the Staryi Krym Combined Arms Training Ground.[‡]
3. Develop and publish methodological recommendations on estimating forces and means of the United Rapid Deployment Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine which were declared to the Pool of Forces within the framework of the Operational Capabilities Concept (OCC).
4. Ensure adequate training the United Rapid Deployment Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine detached to participate in joint NATO operations on documents and staff procedures used in the armed forces of NATO member states in the course of planning actions to be performed by multinational formations.
- 5.* Ensure participation of sub-divisions of the United Rapid Deployment Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in NATO/PfP multinational exercises.[‡]

Objective II.B.8 Reaching a necessary level of compatibility of modern and future specimens of weapons, defense technology and the doctrine of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, which will make it possible to reach a minimal sufficient level of compatibility for fulfilling, in every separate case, tasks in the interests which are common with NATO and bringing the practice of procurement to conformity with standards of NATO member states.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Study the experience of achieving necessary levels of interoperability of armaments and equipment of NATO member states (especially those who recently joined the Alliance).

1.* Hold consultations in the framework of the Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Armaments, of groups and subgroups of the Conference of National Armaments Directors and the Research and Technology Organization, including in Ukraine.

b. Facilitate the development and procurement of armaments, defence equipment and logistical support directed towards achieving interoperability.

1. Prepare a list of armaments, military equipment, defence equipment and munitions for the purpose of further implementing (in consultation with the Alliance) requirements necessary for achieving their interoperability with respective specimens of NATO member states.

[‡] Included in MC+UKR WP 06.

2. Research problems of compatibility between forces and means of electronic warfare of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and those of NATO member states, and prepare relevant proposals.

Objective II.B.9 Strengthening the role of Ukraine as a key participant in regional operations of overcoming consequences of natural disasters and emergencies of civil nature; support of Ukraine in perfecting national united system of planning on matters of emergencies of civil character and responding to natural disasters; developing mutual compatibility in the organization and procedures of operations to overcome consequences of catastrophes, in particular through mechanisms of the Euro-Atlantic Center for Coordination of Responses to catastrophes.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Draw lessons from national and international experience in responding to civil emergencies, in order to improve consequence-management capabilities.

1. Register potentially dangerous installations, at which emergencies of a regional or national level could occur, by registering them in a State Register of Potentially Dangerous Installations.

2. Develop legislative recommendations on emergency response by public authorities.

3. Organise joint exercises of respective response sub-divisions.

4.* Ensure participation of experts of the Ministry of Emergencies and other ministries in seminars of NATO committees which deal with civil emergency planning and response.

5.* Ensure participation of representatives of the Ministry of Emergencies in joint command, staff and field exercises on crisis regulation, liquidation of consequences of emergencies and rendering assistance to victims.

6. Introduce a single standing-control service for emergency response on the basis of the control service which renders assistance to population with the use of the single telephone number – 112.

b. Introduce a Single State System of Air Search-and-Rescue according to NATO norms and standards.

1.* Organise a working meeting in Kyiv of air specialists of the Ministry of Emergencies and NATO to establish possibilities of cooperation of the Ministry of Emergencies of Ukraine and NATO in the sphere of air search and rescue, i.e. during the joint fulfillment of tasks and in the course of rendering assistance; work to bring air search-and-rescue forces, means and control bodies of aviation of the Ministry of Emergencies of Ukraine to NATO norms and standards.

2. Make available the aerodrome "Nizhyn" for use by NATO aviation in the course of peace support operations, rendering of humanitarian assistance and preventing and liquidating consequences of man-made and natural disasters.

Objective II.B.10 Perfecting the system of controlling air traffic in Ukraine, in particular the functioning of services of controlling air traffic, in order to more qualitatively respond to possible terrorist threats

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Intensify Ukraine-NATO cooperation in air defence and air traffic management.

1.* Pursue Ukrainian membership in NATO's Programme of Air Situation Data Exchange (ASDE) and the Regional Airspace Initiative.

2.* Organise a plenary session of the NATO Air Traffic Management Committee in Kyiv.

b. Improve interaction between civil and military structures in managing air traffic in crisis situations and in preventing terrorist acts from the air.

1.* Participate in permanent working groups of the NATO Air Traffic Management Committee.

2. Introduce procedures of civil-military coordination in ensuring the fulfillment of tasks and missions of NATO aviation in crisis situations and in counteracting terrorist acts from the air, in accordance with NATO documents: EAPC(C)D(2002)33 "NATO Guidelines for Civil and Military Procedures of Servicing Air Traffic in the Light of New Security Medium," EAPC(NATMC)D(2005)0001 (Document C-M(2005)0004) "NATO Requirements for the Use of Airspace," Draft Document EAPC(NATMC-ATM)WP (2004)0002 "Guidelines for Licensing, Training and Employing Personnel Involved in Managing Air Traffic Who Participate in Control Under the Aegis of NATO."

3. Train military and civilian specialists of the united civil-military system of air traffic management of Ukraine according to NATO standards.

Objective II.B.11 Minimizing damage caused by the pollution of the environment as a result of conducting large-scale military exercises, in particular international ones, and testing weapons and defense technology as well as by the population which came into being in storing and neutralizing chemical substances, explosives, antipersonnel mines, abundant firearms and dangerous ammunitions.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Study the influence of military activities on the environment and take measures to clean up territories polluted as a result of military activities.

1. Conduct ecological studies of the impact of military and technical factors, including economic activities, on the environment in the course of conducting military exercises and testing weapons and defense equipment.
2. Develop recommendations to introduce a system of environmental control at military installations.
3. Conduct ecological research of territories of military installations (military camps) vacated as a result of defence reform and planned to be transferred to local authorities, and arrange for their clean-up.
4. Promote the adoption of the Law of Ukraine “On conversion of former military facilities”

b. Ensure the prompt and efficient implementation of international assistance programmes on destruction of excess munitions, small arms, light weapons and MANPADS.

1.* Implement the first phase of the US-led Partnership for Peace Trust Fund project on the destruction of excess munitions, small arms, light weapons and man-portable air defence systems (MANPADS).

Objective II.B.12 Perfecting the mutual compatibility of communication means and information-communication systems of Ukraine and NATO.

a. Modernise the communications system of the Military Organisation of Ukraine, with a view to achieving interoperability with respective communications systems of NATO member states.

1. Implement the Programme of the Development of Communication Troops of the Armed Forces of Ukraine for 2006–2011.
2. Implement the first stage of the Complex Programme of the Development of Communications Systems, Warning and Informatisation of the Ministry of Emergencies of Ukraine for 2004–2010.

b. Ensure qualitative control of sub-divisions of the Armed Forces of Ukraine during their participation in joint multinational peacekeeping operations.

1.* Train specialists in communications and information systems at NATO School of Communication and Information Systems (Italy).

Objective II.B.13 The development of international cooperation between academics of Ukraine, those of NATO member states and partner states as well as the development of cooperation in the sphere of science and technologies within the framework of the Scientific Program.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Broaden academic cooperation between Ukraine and NATO, in particular within the framework of the programme "Security through Science".

1.* Intensify cooperation with the George C. Marshall European Centre for Security Studies, the NATO Defense College (Rome, Italy), and the Geneva Centre for Democratic Control of the Armed Forces.

2.* Establish spheres of mutual interest to Ukraine, NATO member states and partners within the framework of the EU initiative on the establishment of the European Research Area; develop a plan of respective measures, subject to the provision of assistance by the EU and NATO member states for specific projects and activities.

b. Establish international cooperation in research, development and experimentation in different branches of science and technology.

1. Draft a bilateral Ukrainian-American agreement on cooperation in the sphere of research, development, experimentation and assessment in the defence industry.

2. Develop further the fiber-optic infrastructure of the Ukrainian Research and Academic Network in cities which are large science and educational centers of Ukraine.

3. Facilitate the participation of Ukrainian enterprises in the program "Galileo" within the framework of tenders held by the Joint Venture of the European Commission and the European space agency "Galileo" Joint Undertaking.

4. Develop a single national information-computer network of research and educational institutions and ensure its interaction with the European scientific and educational network GEANT.

5. * Contribute to the enhancement of regional environmental security through participation in the first phase of the Environment and Security (ENVSEC) Initiative, with the support of NATO, OSCE, UNDP and UNEP.

6. * Promote data-sharing with Belarus and Russia on epidemiological studies and cancer risk assessment through active participation in the long-term CCMS Pilot Study on "Risk Assessment of Chernobyl Accident Consequences: Lessons Learned for the Future".

II.C. Matters of resources

Objective II.C.1 Perfecting the transparency of defense planning and of procedures of budgeting; the transformation to a modern NATO system with respect to the development of defense programs, budget planning and financing.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve the national system of defence planning and budgeting.

1.* Hold Ukraine-NATO consultations (seminars) on defence planning and budgeting of law-enforcement bodies, in particular intelligence services, ensuring transparency in these processes.

2. Introduce Cabinet of Ministers' Model Regulations on the Organisation and Financing of Measures of Strategic, in Particular Defence, Planning.

3. Conduct scientific research on the improvement of the budget request of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine, and develop relevant recommendations.

Objective II.C.2 Reforming the procedure of financial budgeting for the purpose of rendering support to the implementation of the military reform and the transition of the Armed Forces of Ukraine to a professional basis.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Introduce a document distribution software compatible with NATO standards

1. Continue testing of the information-analytical budget planning system "Resource-3."

Objective II.C.3 Training specialists in the sphere of managing resources, budgeting and financing defence needs.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Introduce NATO concepts and procedures in the process of training specialists of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in logistics and budget planning.

1. Introduce NATO concepts, procedures and standards related to logistics into the curriculum of the National Defence Academy.

2. Train specialists in resource management, budgeting and financing defence needs according to the Resource Management Education Programme of the NATO School (Oberammergau, Germany).

3.* Organise internships for representatives of the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine at NATO headquarters and in NATO member states on defence planning, resource support and budgeting, codification of weapons and defence equipment.

Objective II.C.4 Reforming processes of production, purchase, financing and holding tenders in the defense-industrial complex for the purpose of reflecting the Euro-Atlantic orientation of Ukraine and its goal to become a country having effectively functioning market economy. This will include the adaptation of the defense-industrial complex to NATO standards.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Develop and adopt national standards in the defence-industrial complex on the basis of standards of NATO member countries.

1. Ensure participation of representatives of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in a Ukraine–NATO seminar on prospects of the development of the defense-industrial complex of Ukraine and its integration with defence-industrial complexes of NATO member states.

Section III. PROTECTION AND SAFETY OF INFORMATION

Objective III.1 The complete implementation of the agreement on security between the Government of Ukraine and NATO, in particular approving and implementing rules of treatment and ensuring the protection of NATO restricted information.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Pursue opportunities for drafting Intergovernmental Agreements Between Ukraine and NATO member states on the Mutual Protection of Classified Information Up To and Including the Secret Level.

1. Conclude an Intergovernmental Agreement Between Ukraine and Canada on the Mutual Protection of Classified Information Up To and Including the Secret Level.

Objective III.2 The improvement of the system of mutual protection of restricted information, including activities of the Center for the Registration of NATO Secret Documents.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve observance of requirements concerning the protection of restricted information.

1. Exercise control over the state of observing, by public authorities, enterprises, offices and organizations, of requirements concerning the protection of NATO restricted information.

2.* Exercise, jointly with NATO Security Office, respective bodies of NATO member state, control over the state of storing restricted information transferred by Ukraine to NATO.

Objective III.3 Reaching those agreements with NATO which will make it possible to exchange restricted information in the sphere of military planning and reform with NATO.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Create an effective protected channel for transmitting information between the Mission of Ukraine to NATO in Brussels and respective authorities in Ukraine.

1. Conduct a technical and economic estimate of possibilities to create an effective protected channel for transmitting information.

2.* Hold negotiations with respective services of NATO on the creation of an effective protected channel for transmitting information.

3.* Create an effective protected channel for transmitting information (including Internet) for the Mission of Ukraine to NATO.

Objective III.4 The modernization of the state systems of telecommunication and information through which NATO restricted information can be transmitted according to NATO requirements and standards.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Improve the efficiency of telecommunication resources of the National System of Confidential Communication.

1. Facilitate the development of a single integrated information network and a network of confidential telephone communication created with the use of telecommunication resources of the National System of Confidential Communication.

2. Introduce information systems for bodies of executive power responsible for Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration, including services of electronic digital signature.

3. Establish secure communication line between the Ukrainian Mission to NATO and appropriate central executive bodies in Kyiv, including by exploring eventual NATO assistance.

b. Establish technical requirements for the protection of information in premises to be equipped with NATO confidential communication equipment.

1. Conduct commissioning tests and assess the system capabilities for information protection of centres for processing classified defence information.

2. Introduce the automated information-and-search system "Code".

Objective III.5 The development and introduction of training programs for personnel in different spheres of information security.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Raise the level of skill of specialists of bodies of executive power of Ukraine with respect to the protection of restricted information.

1. Make a comparative analysis of the laws of Ukraine and those of NATO member states in the sphere of the protection of restricted information, and develop relevant recommendations.

2.* Organise training of specialists who have access to NATO restricted information at relevant NATO educational institutions.

3.* Organise a training course (with the involvement of NATO specialists) on the protection of restricted information (documents and the system INFOSEC).

4.* Train specialists of the Armed Forces of Ukraine who process NATO restricted information at the "NATO School of Communication Systems and Information" (Italy).

5. Raise the level of skill of specialists of bodies of state power in the protection of information within the framework of measures provided for by the programme "Partnership for Peace".

Section IV. LEGAL MATTERS

Objective IV.1 The revision of laws, bylaws and international treaties with a view to simplifying rendering assistance to Ukraine by NATO or member states in all types of cooperation between Ukraine and NATO both on the governmental and non-governmental levels.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Facilitate international expert-consultative assistance on legal matters.

1. Facilitate expert-consultative assistance from the Federal Ministry of Justice of Germany and the German Foundation of International Legal Cooperation in the context of the adaptation of Ukrainian laws to NATO norms and standards.
2. Develop and adopt regulations on standardisation in health protection, in consultation with foreign experts.

Objective IV.2 Ensuring the complete implementation of agreements between Ukraine and NATO, including the Security Agreement, the Agreement Between NATO Member States which Take Part in the Program "Partnership for Peace" on the Status of Their Armed Forces, the Memorandum on Mutual Understanding About Ensuring Support to NATO Operations by Ukraine and the planned Memorandum on Mutual Understanding About Strategic Air Transportation.

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Develop regulations within the framework of the implementation of agreements between Ukraine and NATO.

1. Develop a Conception of Rendering Support to Forces by Ukraine jointly with experts of the Center for Studying Interaction Between Civil and Military Offices of the School of Post-graduate Education of the U.S. Navy.
2. Develop a Catalogue of Possibilities with respect to Rendering Support to NATO Forces During Multinational Exercises in the Territory of Ukraine.
3. Develop proposals to exempt sub-divisions of NATO member states from taxes during joint events on the territory of Ukraine.
4. Develop draft law for military-technical cooperation with foreign states and promote its adoption.

Objective IV.3 Perfecting laws of Ukraine in the sphere of regulating industrial production associated with defense with a view to approximating to NATO norms and standards (right for property, the protection of restricted information, state guarantees to producers and contractors, conditions of making foreign investments in the Defense-Industrial Complex, financing projects, laws and procedures concerning export control)

For the purpose of attaining the objective it is planned to fulfill the following tasks:

a. Draft regulations in accordance with decisions adopted within the framework of international regimes of export control

1. Develop and facilitate the adoption of regulations on amending:

- the Law of Ukraine *On Exercising State Control over International Transfers of Products Designed for Military Purposes and of Those of Double Designation*;
- the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of November 20, 2003 No. 1807 *On the Approval of the Procedure of Exercising State Control over International Transfers of Products Designed for Military Purposes*;
- the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of January 28, 2004 No. 86 *On the Approval of the Procedure of Exercising State Control over International Transfers of Products of Double Designation*;
- the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of May 27, 1999 No. 920 *On the Approval of the Regulations on the Procedure of Rendering Guarantees and Exercising State Control over the Fulfillment of Obligations Concerning the Use, According to Declared Purposes, of Products Which Are Under State Export Control*.

Section V. IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISMS

1. In pursuit of the objectives and principles of the Action Plan, as outlined above, Ukraine is committed to the full implementation of the annual work plans of the following bodies, which function under the auspices of the Ukraine–NATO Commission:

- Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Defence Reform;
- Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Economic Security;
- Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Planning for Emergencies of Civil Nature;
- Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Science and Environmental Protection;
- Ukraine–NATO Joint Working Group on Armaments;
- NATO Military Committee with Ukraine.

2. Ukraine is also committed to ensuring full transparency in the implementation of this Annual Target Plan, consulting regularly with NATO member states on its implementation in the following structures:

- NATO Political Committee with Ukraine;
- NATO Political-Military Steering Committee (PARP) with Ukraine;
- NATO Special Committee with Ukraine;
- NATO Economic Committee with Ukraine;

3. It is possible to hold joint sessions of such structures as NATO Political Committee with Ukraine and the NATO Political-Military Steering Committee with Ukraine.

4. A report on the implementation of this Annual Target Plan will be brought to the attention of members of the Ukraine–NATO Commission at the level of ambassadors and foreign ministers.

Measures provided for by the Target Plan are to be financed at the expense of:

1. Finances of the State Budget of Ukraine for 2006, which will be allocated for bodies of state power as administrators of finances.

2. Special budget programmes concerning Euro-Atlantic (European) integration and other programmes to be established separately in the State Budget of Ukraine for 2006:

budget program 0301280 "Performance of national organization information-analytical and scientific-methodological measures of the Ukraine–NATO Target Plan for 2006" according to KEKB "Research and development, separate measures of development with respect to the implementation of state (regional) programs" (approximate sum of the estimate is 3,375,700 hryvnias (approximately EUR 582,000);

budget program КПК 6122030 "Research and development in the sphere of public service and the adaptation of it to standards of the European Union";

budget program 6521200 "Ensuring measures by special subdivisions responsible for fighting against organized crime and corruption of the Security Service of Ukraine;

budget program 5341010 "Direction and management in the protection of the State Border";

State Special-purpose program No. 116 "Program of integration of Ukraine into the European Union";

budget program 6524010 "Fight against terrorism in the territory of Ukraine";

budget program 6521040 "Ensuring the stay of officials of public authorities abroad";

State program of the establishment, development of and support to functioning of the National system of confidential communication (КПКВ 6521150 "Establishment of and support to functioning of the National system of confidential communication");

State program "Electronic Ukraine" for 2005 – 2012;

budget program 6521070 "Training and retraining personnel of the Security Service of Ukraine at institutions of higher education of III and IV levels of accreditation";

State Program no: 116

3. International technical assistance

Project of NATO Trust Fund of the program "Partnership for peace" under the aegis of the US concerning the destruction of abundant ammunitions, light weapons, firearms and portable anti-aircraft launchers;

project of the European Commission and the Council of Europe on maintenance of the proper management directed against corruption (approximately 2,750,000 euros);

project of the European Commission and the Council of Europe on counteracting money laundering and financing terrorism (MOLI-UA2) (approximately 5,200,000 euros);

NATO grant "Network Infrastructure Grant, NIG No. 978384" (for further development of fiber optical infrastructure of the Ukrainian Research and Academic Network, URAN) in cities which are large centers of Ukraine);

project on the establishment of the consolidated air traffic control system of Ukraine (see Objective 1.2.4., point 9) at the expense of finances allocated by the

Congress of the USA. The works are performed by the concern "Lockheed Martin" (USA) and the company "Kapsch" (Austria).