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2. Title: The improvement in the mechanisms of the prevention and response to religious and political terrorism.
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9. Topicality of the research: is conditioned by the following circumstances:

The problem of religious terrorism requires special study as its is chiefly connected with Islam in the target literature, moreover the tendencies for radicalization exist in every religion, in every ideology which are often overlooked;

Objective of the research is the study of terrorism as a social phenomenon the forms of its manifestation in different historical periods and the development on this basis of the scientifically verified methods of its prevention and response.

Tasks:
— to examine terrorism and extremism as socially constructed phenomena;
— to identify the factors of the substantiation of violence on the part of religious extremism and terrorist, to examine the religious component of terrorism;
— to examine the factors giving rise to terrorism and religious extremism in the conditions of globalization;
— to conduct the analysis of the modern state of the socio-cultural and ideological principles of terrorism and religious extremism in Russia;
— to consider the form and directions of the prevention of the proliferation of the extremist ideology in the North Caucasus (on the materials of Pyatigorsk State University):
— to work out practical measures to prevent, neutralize and stop terrorism and religious extremism in Russia.

**Practical significance** of the work is that the latter in an integrated way determines the essence of terrorism, religious extremism, identifies their ideological, philosophical, social, socio-cultural principles, reveals, the content of the political practice in many regions of the world. The **theoretical grounds** of the causes of terrorism and religious extremism might be used for further study of these negative phenomena.

**Results of the research:**

— it is established that the essence of terrorism comes to the active use of frightening to force people to actions, i.e. frightening is the main essential characteristic of terrorism, its point;

— the factors giving rise to terrorism and religious extremism were analyzed and on this basis it was clarified that terrorism is a universal historical phenomenon, but in each certain age it takes different forms of its manifestation;

— it is established that various forms of terrorism manifestation are generated by the socio-economic conductions of the life of the people, by a sharp fall in the living standard, by social and personal non-realized ambitions;

— it is shown that in the modern world along with the internal factors the causes of the manifestation of various forms of terrorism are often explained by the fact that they are actively provoked by strong states for the sake of the realization of their national interests outside their political borders;

— it is established that previously terrorism had its individual character, the form of its manifestation, than in the age of globalization it acquires beyond the individual, beyond the national character;

— it is established that prevention and neutralization of terrorism are unthinkable without the liquidation of its global prerequisites and its potential social base. This must be conducted flexibly, without the one-sider reliance on the brute force.
**Recommendations.** The materials of the research may be used for the development of specialized courses in religious studies, ethnopolitics, conflict resolution, political science, etc. The materials of the research can also be used in the work of the operational staff of law-enforcement bodies, security agencies Committees and services of national security, higher school learners.