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PECULIARITIES OF IDENTIFYING PERSONS BY EXTERNAL CHARACTERISTICS UNDER CONDITIONS OF MASS POPULATION DISPLACEMENT DURING MARTIAL LAW

In conditions of martial law, there is an acute need to search for relatives who went missing during destructions, while performing official duties, or directly on the battlefield. A separate description of relatives, friends, or acquaintances, or photographs alone may not help in this, since it is impossible to get a complete picture of a person's appearance and identify a specific individual from a single source of information.

During the period of the full-scale war on the territory of Ukraine, which is ongoing, there arises a need for the application of a science such as habitology. This field of forensic science studies the identification of a person by external features and methods of their use for establishing identity. It is applied in conducting certain investigative (search) actions related to presenting living persons and corpses for identification, during the search and detention of suspects, as well as during expert identification of a person from photo and video images [1, p. 21].

The objects of habitology include both the external appearance of a person and its various representations of an objective and subjective nature. In the process of implementing this forensic field, significant attention is paid specifically to a person's appearance. This concept should be understood as the totality of visually perceived and recorded features that directly characterize a person's appearance. Each element of appearance is characterized by certain traits, is individual, and it is in this property that the

distinction between one person and another lies. Using the methods of habitology, applying various means of representing a person's appearance, namely through the use of verbal portraits, video images, photographs, interrogation protocols, and individual traces [2, pp. 77-86].

On February 24, 2022, the Russian Federation launched a full-scale invasion of its troops on the territory of Ukraine. Since then and up to the present, millions of Ukrainians have been losing their loved ones, and many people are missing. Therefore, their relatives, friends, and acquaintances are trying to find them through various sources. Since many were forced to leave their homes, contact with these individuals might have been lost. In the conditions of martial law, there arose a need to develop special programs and chatbots that would help law enforcement officers, using appearance features, to help locate people. Thus, in March 2022, a special chatbot 'Find Relatives' was launched in Ukraine to search for people with whom contact had been lost as a result of military actions. To find a person, it is necessary to register, after which you will be offered a language for communication, since this chatbot provides for searches abroad as well. After that, you need to provide your personal data, namely: surname, first name, and patronymic, and make a request [3].

Social networks are also actively used to search for people. Since many people use them in the modern world, there is a fairly high likelihood that people post announcements about searches there. In order for the search results to be more successful, it is necessary to add a photo of the person and write important information about them, in particular, distinctive physical features [4]. A Facebook community called 'Search for People During the War' has also been created. Thanks to this, it is possible to find relatives, acquaintances, or family members. It is necessary to write a post, add a photo, first name, last name, and patronymic, and write brief and important information about the person. Only in this case will the page administrators agree to publish this post. This page is publicly accessible; anyone wishing can provide and receive information through it [5].

An important portal that can also be used to search for missing citizens and children, as well as to identify unidentified bodies, is the search records on the website of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. To search for children and citizens, you need to go to the corresponding category on this portal and enter the necessary information. The search can be conducted using either a single piece of information or by using all the details. It is necessary to specify the surname, first name, and patronymic of the person being searched for, their age, and gender. In the field "Appearance Description" - eye color, face shape, etc. are indicated; and in the field "Distinguishing Features" - scars, marks, tattoos, etc. are specified. This database also helps to search for unidentified bodies. Using the category with

the same name, you can search for deceased people and obtain at least some information about them. When making a query, in the fields "Height" - enter the exact height in centimeters or a range; "Approximate Age" - age in years or range; "Date Found" - day, month, and year or a period, etc, "'place found' - the name of the region where the unidentified body was found; 'clothing description' - name, color, and material; 'appearance description' - eye color, face shape, etc.; 'distinctive features' - scars, marks, tattoos, etc. [6]."

Thus, by using physical characteristics and modern technology and social networks, it is possible to more effectively search for and identify people under martial law.

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PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS OF ENSURING THE EFFICIENCY OF PRE-TRIAL INVESTIGATION IN THE CONDITIONS OF MARTIAL ARTS AND THE POST-WAR PERIOD

The current conditions of the functioning of criminal justice in Ukraine are characterized by significant challenges caused by the introduction of martial law. Pre-trial investigation, as a key stage of criminal proceedings,