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ORGANIZATION OF THE MILITARY-DEFENSE SYSTEM OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN AND ITS PLACE AND ROLE IN THE STATE POLITICAL LIFE

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Abstract: This article describes the establishment of the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the foundations of the military sector during the years of independence. In addition, the reforms carried out by the government of the Republic of Uzbekistan in the security and military defense system and their results have been mentioned.

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Motherland. At the core of this word is the incomparable land where we were born and raised, our beloved country. Our country, every place, every soil of it is equal to gold. It is not unknown that, people compare their country to a mother. The reason is that both our beloved mother and country are unique. Ensuring its peace and inviolability of the borders is the most honorable duty. It's no secret that when we talk about the defense of the Motherland, we involuntarily think of the guards of our country - the military. The fact that they do not spare their own sweet lives in order to fulfill their sacred duty awakens a sense of pride in the hearts of our people. National spirit and pride should be firmly written in the consciousness of every military serviceman, whether he is a general or a sergeant. Because the national spirit is an invincible force. Every person who has this spirit has an unbreakable will and courage. We can say with confidence that the national spirit and feelings of pride of the guards of our country - our military personnel - will be alive in their bodies until their last breath.

It is known that the Republic of Uzbekistan was declared independent in 1991. Since that day, our country has been recognized as a separate country on the world map. After we gained independence, changes began to take place in the political and socio-economic life of our republic. The most important of these changes were the creation of the Defense System and the organization of the alternative service. If we look at the history, in the Statement of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan on August 31, 1991 "On the State Independence of the Republic of Uzbekistan" it was stated that "The Ministry of Defense and the National Guard will be created. The Ministry of Internal Affairs of the former USSR, the State Security Committee of the USSR and the Internal Troops located on the territory of the republic will be under the jurisdiction of the Republic of Uzbekistan". This was legally strengthened in the Law "On the Foundations of State Independence of the Republic of Uzbekistan" adopted on August 31, 1999, stating that "the Republic of Uzbekistan has the right to establish the Ministry of Defense Affairs, the National Guard and alternative service. The Ministry of Defense Affairs was established on September 6, 1991, according to the decree of the First President of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Islam Karimov. As soon as the establishment of this ministry, Uzbekistan gained independence and that was a proof of the high importance of the military system in our republic. It is worth noting that the main factor in the defense and security system is the armed forces, and their military-political training, modern knowledge of military personnel, readiness for any aggression is a guarantee of peace and tranquility. The Armed Forces of the Republic of Uzbekistan - includes military associations, formations and units established and maintained by the state to protect the national interests, sovereignty, territorial integrity and peaceful life of the population, to repel and prevent wars and armed conflicts. The Armed Forces of the Republic of Uzbekistan was established on January 14, 1991, and consists of two main parts: ground forces and air

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forces. The armed forces include ground forces, air defense forces and air forces, special forces, border and internal forces, national security, military departments of the Ministry of Emergency Situations and other ministries and institutions. According to the Constitution of our Republic, the commander of the armed forces of the Republic of Uzbekistan is President Shavkat Mirziyoyev.

The Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Uzbekistan administers the troops at its disposal, conducts state policy in the field of defense and military construction, equips the troops of the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Uzbekistan with modern weapons, military equipment and material equipment, organization of conscription and training of Armed Forces personnel.

On August 30, 1995, at the third session of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Military Doctrine of the Republic of Uzbekistan was adopted. On February 3, 2003, the Defense Doctrine of our country was discussed and approved. It can be seen that 2 doctrinal documents that regulate the fundamentals of state policy in the field of defense, the main principles and directions of the construction, training and deployment of the Armed Forces have been adopted until now. In the 2017 holiday greetings of the President to the defenders of the Motherland, “Taking into account the dynamics of the development of the situation in the world and the region, the need to adequately attack the emerging dangers and threats, as well as our priority tasks and opportunities, the Defense Doctrine of the Republic of Uzbekistan requires redevelopment”. In this regard, based on the national interests of the country, the military-political situation in the world and the region, the level of threats to security in the military sphere, and the nature of modern military conflicts, our Defense Doctrine was adopted again, and on January 9, 2018, President Shavkat Mirziyoyev signed the Law called “Defense Doctrine of the Republic of Uzbekistan”.

On December 29, 1993, by the decision of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan, January 14 was designated as “Day of Defenders of the Motherland”. This holiday is a manifestation of high respect and pride of our citizens for all military servicemen and Uzbek young men who have returned from their service in the ranks of our national army. Day and night, they are mastering the experience and fighting skills of our great generals in order to justify the trust of their people. It should be mentioned that not only now, but also in the past, our ancestors amazed the world with their high military skills. In particular, Amir Temur, Jalaluddin Manguberdi, Zahiruddin Muhammad Babur were the owners of invincible will and high martial arts. The battle methods used by our great-grandfathers and the order of commanding the army are perfectly explained in “Temur tuzuklari”, which was written by Amir Temur, so they are still studied by the military. Every guardian of the homeland should work hard to become a worthy successor of Amir Temur. President of the Republic of Uzbekistan said, “The military should be the spiritually mature people of our nation. It is necessary to increase the moral maturity of the personnel and the combat readiness of military personnel to become such a person. If you always feel that you are the heirs of our great ancestors like Amir Temur and Jalaluddin Manguberdi and serve accordingly, our youth will learn the feelings of patriotism and loyalty to the motherland from you” and his words place even more responsibility on the guardians of our homeland. Based on the initiative of our President, all the military academic lyceums located in our country are given the name “Temurbeks” School” as an opportunity to become a generation worthy of our ancestors. For young people who choose a military profession, “Temurbeks’ schools” focused on military specialties are operating in Tashkent, Samarkand, Urgench and Fergana. Students of “Temurbeks’ school” gather military skills for 2 years and go to the higher military education for the type of army based on their choice.

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Ensuring the safety and inviolability of our country's borders is the sacred duty of both adult and youth. On February 23, 2018, in order to increase the contribution of young people in ensuring the peace of the Motherland and to cultivate a sense of patriotism in them, the decision of Cabinet of Ministers "On approving the concept of educating young people in the spirit of military-patriotism" was adopted, and a memorandum was signed between the Ministry of Defense and the Agency for Youth Affairs. The purpose of this is to protect young people from giving in to various noisome ideas and to form a sense of pride in the fact that they were born and raised in this country.

As a result of the reforms carried out in the field of defense, a number of important activities were carried out last year within the framework of the comprehensive program to provide troops with modern weapons and repair and modernize military equipment in 2018-2021. A big step has been taken in providing the army with advanced equipment, weapons, and modernizing the existing equipment. Based on the in-depth analysis of modern military conflicts, first of all, measures were taken to develop the air force, strengthen the air defense system, and provide the special operations forces with the latest equipment and weapons. Military-technical cooperation with the Russian Federation, China, France and a number of other countries has been established at a high level. It should be noted that the army of Uzbekistan ranks high in the world rankings. By 2022, our army will take 54th place in the ranking of the armed forces of 106 countries of the world.

Even though the soldiers lost their lives, they fight for the freedom of the country. The memory of the brave soldiers who died during the service is kept as a fire burning forever in the hearts of our people. Their heroism is a great example for every citizen. On the initiative of the President, a "Park of Patriots" was established in the Karshi city, dedicated to our soldiers serving in the ranks of our army. 24 military equipment and a number of exhibits were presented to this place by the Ministry of Defense. A person who sees a specially prepared armor comes to his eyes with our compatriots who fought valiantly on the battlefields of the Second World War. During the visit of the President to the park, he said that "I think, such gardens will play a big role to remind young generation that the Motherland is sacred, protecting it is the honorable duty of every man and woman, to protect today's independent Uzbekistan and also how much blood our ancestors shed for these peaceful and bright days."

In conclusion, it should be said that we are spending peaceful days thanks to the soldiers serving for the peace of our independent Uzbekistan. Uzbekistan is one of the most peaceful countries in the world because of the feelings of loyalty and bravery in their hearts. We are always proud to have such a great and invincible army!

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