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CRIMINOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE OFFENDER’S PERSONALITY WHO INTENTIONALLY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED THE PROPERTY

Problem’s setting. The relevance of criminological research of the offender’s personality, who intentionally destroyed or damaged someone else’s property, is the need to establish a number of criminogenic features of perpetrators in committing crimes under the Art. 194 of the Criminal Code of Ukraine, which recently are widespread. It is necessary to develop measures to prevent them.

Analysis of recent studies. By this time, there were no special studies in Ukrainian criminological science concerning the offender’s personality, who intentionally destroyed or damaged the property. However, some research achievements concerning the mentioned problem can be observed in Russian Federation, USA, UK and EU countries.

Objective of the research. The article’s objective is to develop a general criminological portrait of the offender’s personality, who intentionally destroyed or damaged someone else’s property.

The main part. Criminological characteristics of the offender’s personality, who has committed a crime under the Art. 194 of the Criminal Code of Ukraine are provided based on official statistics of court agencies, as well as the results of independent empirical research of the author. This made it possible to research a number of socio-demographic, criminal and legal, moral and psychological features. The most indicative results that reflect the specifics of such offender’s personality include: commission by men (more than 95 %), aged 30-50 years, with the secondary education, Ukrainians, citizens of Ukraine who do not work and do not study, not married, having no children, about a third of them were subjects to criminal liability for committing lucrative and selfish violent crimes. The property is intentionally destroyed or damaged mostly based on the motives of revenge, and hiding the fact of other lucrative crime.

Studied crimes are classified by the dominant needs and motives of criminal behavior into: hostile, resourceful, enterprising, harmful, ideological. The most common of them are the so-called hostile attacks, the share of which is about 65 %.

The moral and psychological scope of such offenders indicates on their cachexia, low moral and intellectual development, most of them abusing alcohol. Criminals are characterized with the aggressive orientation, hostility, desire for domination over the victim, disrespect for the rights of other citizens.
Conclusions. The study of socio-demographic, criminal and legal, social and psychological characteristics of the offender's personality, who intentionally destroyed or damaged property, gives us grounds to state about antisocial marginally underclass criminological portrait of such an offender and generally about his primitive spiritual and intellectual development.

**Key words:** offender’s personality, criminological characteristics, intentional destruction or damage to property.