



MILITARY SECURITY AGENCY



Military Security Agency



Military Security Agency (MSA) is the military security service responsible for security and counterintelligence protection of the Ministry of Defence and the Serbian Armed Forces. It was formed on 29 September 2003, based on the Act on the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia Security Services. In December of the same year it was presented to the public, and officially has started operating on 1 January 2004.

By adopting the Act on the Essentials of the Republic of Serbia Security Services System, in 2007, it was defined that MSA is a part of unique security and intelligence system of the Republic of Serbia, as an administrative body within the Ministry of Defence.

By the Act on the Military Security Agency and Military Intelligence Agency, passed in 2009, competencies, activities, tasks, authorities, supervision and control of MSA were regulated. This Act defines the modern solutions for efficacious countering current security threats. In a transparent way, implementation of special authorities of MSA was regulated by it, with the goal of protection and timely suppression of threats directed towards the Ministry of Defence and the Serbian Armed Forces.

Prior to the forming of the Military Security Agency, the military security service had been organized differently and had different names:

- issues on security protection of army, for the first time in the recent history, were regulated by the Military Act of the Principality of Serbia, passed on 12 November 1839, in which, for the first time, penalties for treason, escape, rebellion, espionage, acts against the Constitution and "freedom of people" were defined. That day is celebrated as the Day of MSA;
- Department for People Protection (DPP) was formed by the end of the World War II (13 May 1944), whose III Section was responsible for counterintelligence tasks of countering "hostile elements, spies and diversionist inserted in the National Liberation Army and Yugoslav Partisans Units";
- at the beginning of 1946, III Section of DPP was dissolved, on which basis an independent Counterintelligence Service (CIS) was formed, which soon after its forming, became part of the Yugoslav Army General Staff, in March 1948, as the XII Department of the General Staff;
- in March 1955 the Counterintelligence Service was renamed into the Security Organs, which were part of the command units and institutions of the Army and the State Secretariat for National Defence;

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- In July 2002, based on the Act on the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia Security Services, the Security Organs were renamed into the Military Security Service.

Jurisdiction, activities and tasks:

The Military Security Agency is tasked with security and counterintelligence protection of the Ministry of Defence and the Serbian Armed Forces, and performs security and counterintelligence activities and tasks.

Security activities and tasks:

- Personal Security.
- Industrial Security.
- Protection of Classified Information.
- Security Management.

Counterintelligence activities and tasks:

- Countering intelligence, terrorist and organized criminal activity directed against MoD and SAF.
- Detection and documenting of the criminal acts directed against the Constitution and security of the Republic of Serbia, as well as against humanity and international law, when the perpetrators of those crimes are persons employed in MoD and SAF.
- Detection and documenting of the criminal offences with elements of organized crime, as well as corruption offenses within MoD and SAF, or when the aforesaid acts of crime are directed against MoD and SAF.
- Counterintelligence protection of persons, facilities and activities that come within the jurisdiction of MoD and SAF.



TYPE OF COURSE:

DEFENCE SYSTEM SECURITY AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROTECTION

Duration: 4 weeks.

Period: January.

Maximum number of participants: 12 participants.

Entrance prerequisites:
Bachelor studies; employed in military security services.

Languages: Serbian

Price: € 400 per participant.

Goal:

To make members of the military security services competent to implement security and counterintelligence procedures in operational work.

Content:

1. Risks and threats to defence systems.
2. Security protection of defence systems:
 - Personal Security,
 - Industrial Security,
 - Protection of Classified Information,
 - Security Management.
 - Participation of the military security service representatives in the process of operational planning,
3. Counterintelligence protection of defence systems:
 - Countering activities of foreign intelligence services,
 - Countering terrorist and extremist activity,
 - Countering organized crime and corruption,
 - Counterintelligence protection of persons, facilities and activities.
4. Counterintelligence procedures in operational work.
5. The essentials of Criminal, Criminal Procedural Law and Criminology, necessary for the realization of activities and tasks of the military security services members.
6. Psychology in the Military Security Management.

CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEFENCE SYSTEM SECURITY AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROTECTION

Duration:
3 weeks.

Period: May.

Maximum number of participants: 12 participants.

Entrance prerequisites:
Bachelor studies; employed in military security services
- candidates for leadership positions.

Languages: Serbian

Price: € 300 per participant.

Goal:

Improving knowledge, skills, leader and professional capabilities necessary for successful management of activities from the field of military security services work.

Content:

1. Management of the defence system security and counterintelligence protection (management functions and contents).
2. Control of the military security service data sources.
3. Control of the military security service data.
4. Modern methodology of countering terrorist threats, countering organized criminal activity and corruption, as well as the activities of foreign intelligence services.
5. Specific qualities of Human Resources Control in the Military Security Management, for the purpose of successful realization of counterintelligence and security procedures.
6. Psychological procedures in personality assessment.