

## **Streszczenie w języku angielskim**

Despite its long history of existence, the phenomenon of terrorism is still a serious problem for many states and their governments and societies. Unpredictability and determination of attackers is still a relevant challenge. Uncertainty of current times which may manifest through the new migration crisis is possible to influence or even strengthen chaos and global destabilisation. All these factors may lead to terrorists' invigoration as through their activity they are able to induce havoc and the general paralysis of modern societies including institutional dimension.

This doctoral thesis is the original research material presenting the phenomenon of financial supporting of the terrorism in the narrow and the wide context using the case study of Hezbollah organization in Lebanon. The first chapter describes the general financial support of the criminal groups and terroristic organisations. The second shows the complex dependence in such aspects as: political, social, cultural, and what is significant religious, in the context of forming of the political party and terrorist organisation Hezbollah (Party of God, Party of Allah). The other issue of this doctoral thesis brings up the topic of the inner and the external terrorist activity of Hezbollah, whose main target of attack is Israel, which is treated in this case as the "enemy entity". The most significant matter of this whole thesis is the way of financial support of the Party of Allah. Despite its functioning in Lebanon as a political party, which undoubtedly connects with financial profits, there is also an external factor, namely Iran as a dominating power who supports Hezbollah financially. In the context of external financial sources for the Party of God it should not be omitted the issue of Narcobusiness, diamonds trade and the transfer of money from Lebanese diaspora through the hawala system. The result of the conducted research is to indicate the political and economic problem of fuelling terrorist activity of Hezbollah on a regional as well as global scale with the meaningful finance assistance.

The presented thesis is interdisciplinary as it covers the issues of political and economic sphere. The first field covers the new stage of functioning of the Middle East countries in the context of the end of the colonial policy of the European countries as well as forming the political scene of Lebanon, especially after the end of the civil war there. At this point the political situation in Iran and Syria, which are considered to be the promoters and supporters of Hezbollah, should be also mentioned here. The economic sphere is closely related to the financial condition of the countries subsidizing the Party of Allah as it results in the proper

financing dimension. What is associated with it, is the general evolution of technology that facilitates gaining the financial support through the other sources like bank sector and the money laundering issue. Furthermore, it can also influence the economic destabilisation of Latin American countries or the African continent, where criminal activity evolves towards drug trafficking and where money sources are laundered by the bank sector and they are used to finance terrorism.

The research methodology is an essential element of this thesis. In every section there is an analysis of documents that are crucial in the point of view of the problem and the purpose of this research. The historical method used in this work covers the description of the stages of erection and functioning the Hezbollah organisation, from the genesis to the present day. The behavioural method is also an important part of this study as it was the basis of the conducted interviews, which were in form of research questions asked to the experts to solve the problem of Hezbollah issue as well as its financing. On the basis of decision method, it is possible to trace the motives of the made decisions in the context of transferring the money for the Party of Allah.

**Key words:** Hezbollah, financing, terrorism, Iran, Israel, Syria, Middle East