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Activities for Preventing Incidents in the Bulgarian Army

Common Structure of the Authorities Ensuring the Safe and Healthy Working Conditions

Abbreviations:

MoD- Ministry of Defense

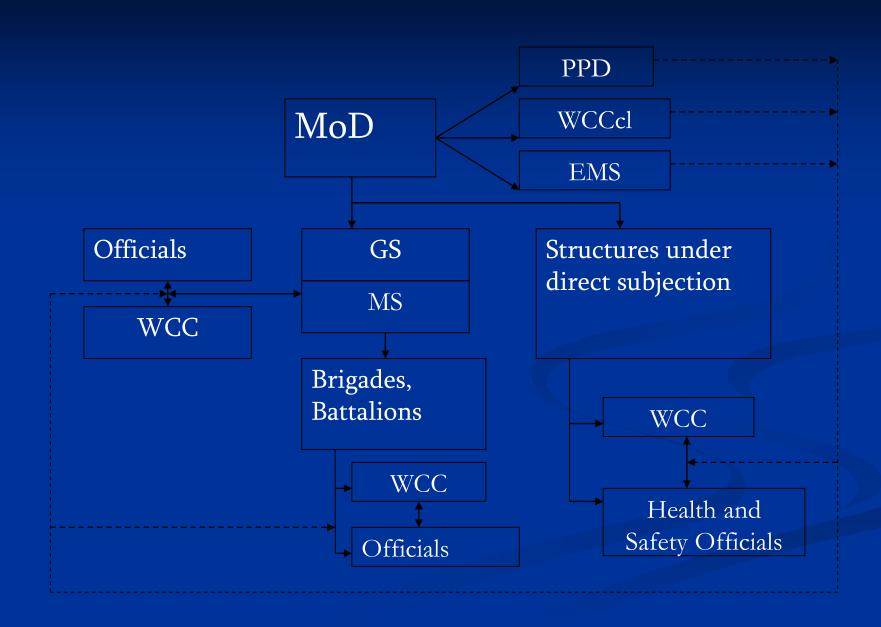
GS- General Staff; MS- Main Staff

PPD- Personnel Policy Department

WCC- Working Conditions Committee

WCCcl- Working Conditions Council

EMS- Employment Medicine Service



Obligations of the commanders with respect to the ensuring of safe and healthy working conditions

- The commanders are obliged to ensure safe and healthy working conditions to the members of the armed forces, the civilians working in the units, as well as all other people that are inside or beside military buildings or objects.
- The commanders (superiors) hold responsibility for the ensuring of safe and healthy working conditions.

Working Conditions Council (WCCcl)

- Discusses and analyzes the state of the safe and healthy working conditions insurance in the Ministry of Defense and the Bulgarian Armed Forces.
- Presents solutions in the field of safe and healthy working conditions to the Minister of Defense.
- Performs control inspections.

Main Functions and Tasks of the Personnel Policy Department

- Assists the Minister of Defense
- Performs the methodical direction of the activities concerning the safe and healthy working conditions.
- Takes part in the investigation of employment accidents in the Ministry of Defense and the Bulgarian Armed Forces.
- Performs control inspections.

Officials Responsible for Health and Safety Working Conditions

- Assist the commanders.
- Take part in the development and execution of programs and plans for ensuring safe and healthy working conditions.
- Organize the activities concerning health and safety working conditions.
- Perform control functions.

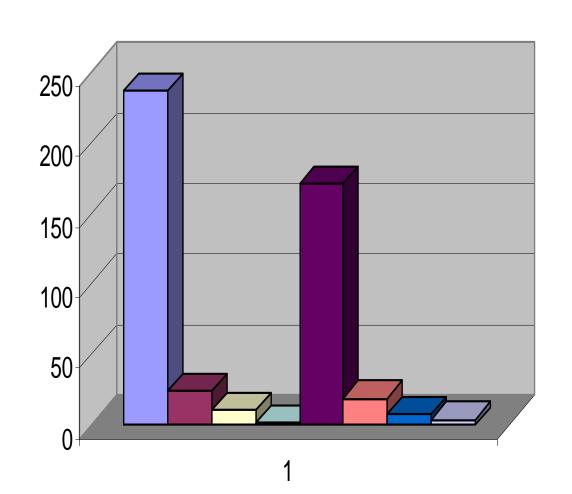
Working Conditions Committees (WCC)

- Take part in the development of programs and plans.
- Discuss the results from the evaluation of the professional risks.
- Perform examinations.
- Present suggestions to the commanders.

Rights of the members of the working conditions committees

- Access to the whole information concerning working conditions.
- To present measures for reducing the safe and healthy risks to the commander.
- To participate in the examinations performed by the control agencies.
- The commanders ensure the required resources for the training of the members of the working conditions committees.

Accidents Statistics for 2003 and 2004



- 238-accidents-2003
- 24-female accidents-2003
- □ 9-death cases-2003
- □ 0-female death cases-2003
- 172-accidents-2004
- 19-female accidents-2004
- 5-death cases-2004
- 1-female death cases-2004