TASKS FOR SELFSTUDY

Topic 3



MILITARY EXPENDITURE AND ITS CLASSIFICATION

- 1. Explain meaning of the military expenditure term. Try to identify differences among the most frequent definitions of military expenditures. Try to gain as much as possible official definitions.
- 2. Describe recent trends in world military expenditure. What are the major spender countries in you chosen year (-s) (You can use following internet source: http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/resultoutput/trends).
- 3. What are the major factors which can influence size and structure of country military expenditure?
- 4. What are opportunities costs? Explain and give examples in case of military expenditure (Internet source: www.costofwar.com; http://costofwar.com/en/tradeoffs/).
- Describe military expenditure development in chosen country (-ies) and demarcate main factors which drive it (i.e. USA, China, developing countries /Africa/, Russia, and so on). (Internet source: http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/publications/unpubl_mile x;
 - http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/publications/other_sipri_publ;) This question can be chosen more than once.
- 6. Explain the term "hidden" military expenditure. Which problems are connected to its description? What other additional problems are linked with them?