

Summary

TERRORISM AS COVERED BY THE PRESS: THE IMPACT ON PEOPLES' ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIORS

The problem of modern terrorism worries people all over the world. The danger of a possible attack, the violence we see, hear or read about in mass media affect people's perceptions of the problems of terrorism and the fight against it.

Press as part of mass media world is an active participant in the coverage of contemporary terrorism and the fight against it. The frequent exposure to articles that represent terrifying scenes and scenes of brutal terrorist acts and the use of expressive vocabulary enhancing of the horror the violence committed, affect the psyche of people to a certain degree.

The main objective of this study is to explore the characteristics of terrorism covered by the press and its influence on the attitudes and behaviors of people, depending on their personal characteristics.

The results of the study give updated information about the specificity of the attitudes towards the terrorism covered by the press and could serve both to broaden and deepen the relations found in this empirical study, and as a starting point for future research on terrorism and its mass media coverage.