

Abstract

This thesis „Corruption in the Czech Customs Administration” is focused on the issue of corruption and the causes of corrupt behaviour of Czech customs officials.

The primary task of this work was to determine whether it is the disorganization of the armed force or the individual deviance which influences the level of corruption in the Czech Customs Administration more. The secondary task was to elicit the level of corruption as it is perceived by the customs officials themselves and on the basis of the acquired information to suggest some anti-corruption measures. The theory of social disorganization and the theory of social deviancy were used as the basis for this work.

The data required for the decision whether it is the disorganization of the armed force or the individual deviance which influences the level of corruption in the Czech Customs Administration more and the data for the findings of the corruption level as it is perceived by the customs officials was collected from a quantitative research. This research was conducted in the form of a questionnaire that was distributed among Czech customs officials

The research revealed that the main factor which increases the level of corruption in the Czech Customs Administration is the social disorganization of the armed force. The other finding from the research was that the customs officials perceive the level of corruption as medium.

The findings led to the conclusion that the Czech Customs Administration needs to focus on successful application of anti-corruption measures to limit the factors that support the social disorganization of the armed force.