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# « IMPROVING THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS OF UKRAINIAN SPECIAL EXPORTERS »

# (based on the data of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport", Kyiv)

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### LIST OF SYMBOLS

- STE SpetsTechnoExport
- SFTE state foreign-trade enterprise
- UAH Ukrainian hryvnia
- USD United States dollar
- GDP gross domestic product
- MCW major conventional weapons
- SIPRI Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
- TIV trend indicator value
- R&D research and development
- PESTEL political, economical, social, technological, environmental, legal
- UAV unmanned aerial vehicle
- WME weapons and military equipment
- PMS products of military service
- MTC military-technical cooperation

### **INTRODUCTION**

The relevance of the final qualification work (project). The situation formed at the beginning of the XXI century in the world arms market, is characterized by a qualitative change in strategy and motivation for the promotion of weapons and military equipment from different countries and regions. At the same time, the production of arms and military equipment becomes one of the most high-tech sectors of the industry. In today's global economy, new trends in the global arms market are emerging, characterized by the changing geopolitical and geo-economic foundations of the transformation of the global arms and military equipment market, the emergence of new arms markets, the creation of large international corporations and associations, the expansion of forms of industrial integration. Taking into consideration these tendencies and stress escalation of the Russian-occupying troops, it becomes relevant for Ukraine to study the problems of developing the export potential of the militaryindustrial complex and to form some strategic decisions on improving the competitiveness of the special arms exporters, taking into consideration the competitive advantages in foreign markets.

Analysis of the level of development of the topic. Problems of the modern development of the arms market and the state of the Ukrainian defense-industrial complex are attracting the attention of many domestic and foreign scientists, such as S.S. Goreslavskiy, A.A. Bochurov, A.H. Kurbanov, A.N. Lytvynenko, O.P. Kutovyi, Y.V. Malyshenko, S.V. Chumachenko, A.V. Ftalchuk and others.

At the same time, despite the multidimensional nature of the works on studying the peculiarities of Ukraine's participation in the global market of military equipment, the problems of increasing the competitiveness of the Ukrainian military-industrial complex in the context of special arms exporters require more detailed elaboration. The purpose of the final qualification work is to develop practical recommendations for increasing the competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport". Achieving this goal led to the following main objectives:

- detailed analysis of the international market of arms and military equipment and determine the place of Ukrainian defense industry in the market;
- examining of the financial and economic activities of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" and detection of the cause and effect relationships;
- diagnostics of the external environment of the operation of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" with an assessment of the impact of each group of factors on the enterprise and the defense industry as a whole;
- assessment of the level of competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in the international arms market;
- development of a set of measures to improve the competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport";
- forecast assessment of the effectiveness of the proposed activities for SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport".

*The object of the final qualification work (project)* is the process of improving the international competitiveness of Ukrainian special exporters in the environment of international economic activity.

*The subject of the research* is the methodological principles of the operation of special exporters in the environment of international economic activity in the context of increasing competitiveness.

*Research methods.* The fundamental works of leading domestic and foreign scientists on the problem formed the theoretical and methodological basis of the study. In the process of solving these tasks author applied methods of analysis and synthesis, induction and deduction, methods of systematic generalization and comparison, statistical methods, institutional method and methods of economic modeling. The

information base of the study was the legal and statistical materials of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine, Stockholm Institute for Peace Studies, National Bank of Ukraine, WTO, UNCTAD, World Bank, UN and others.

*The scientific novelty of the results of the final qualification work (project).* The scientific novelty of the work is to systematize approaches to improving the competitiveness of special exporters in the conditions of aggravation of competition.

*Information on testing the results of the study.* The results of this research were represented in a collection of scientific articles by students of full-time education in the specialization "International economics".

#### PART 1

### RESEARCH OF CURRENT STATE OF SFTE «SPETSTECHNOEXPORT»

1.1. Analysis of the international arms market

In the total volume of world trade market of weapons and military equipment occupies a very modest place. However, the significance of this global market is determined not only by exports of weapons and military equipment and protecting profits. The arms trade is an important foreign policy tool that contributes to the promotion of the interests of the exporting country worldwide and the corresponding impact on the political course of the countries-importers.

The current global arms market is one of the most complex sectors of the world economy. The rivalry of individual countries and groups is very fierce here: the struggle is fought not only for individual profits, but also for the military-technical advantage, the long-lasting attachment of the buyer to its technological complex. Purchased ships, planes, air defense systems, tanks, artillery complexes serve as a rule for many years, but over time they need upgrading and repair. Therefore, connections in this area are too profitable for the manufacturer, since the first agreement entails the necessary regular contracts [1].

The arms trade is subject to more extensive controls than the trade in most other goods, producer countries use several instruments to regulate the arms trade. During the last five years, efforts to ensure that the global arms trade proceeds responsibly advanced, most notably with the 2013 conclusion of the Arms Trade Treaty. Now with 92 states-parties, the treaty requires the establishment of national export control systems, as well as assessments of whether exported arms would "contribute to or undermine peace and security" or could be used to commit or facilitate serious violations of international humanitarian or human rights law, acts of terrorism, or transnational organized crime [2].

The parameters of the global arms market directly reflect the situation in the world. Rising military tensions naturally lead to militarization, increased production and trade in arms and other military products. Therefore, in this paper, we examine international trade flows of major conventional weapons (MCW) using data provided by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). MCW include armored vehicles, aircrafts, naval vessels, and SIPRI has collected all international arms transfers from 1950 to 2018 in a comprehensive database. The volume is measured in so-called TIV, shorthand for trend-indicator value(s), and represents the value of exported military resources, based on production costs [3, p. 2].

Fueled by armed conflicts in the Middle East and tensions in Asia, global trade in major conventional weapons systems has reached its highest level since the end of the Cold War (see fig.1.1), according to a report from the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI). The volume of international transfers of major weapons rose by 6,56 per cent between 2010-2014 and 2015-2018 (see fig.1.1), the increase marks a continuation of the steady upward trend that began in the early 2000s.

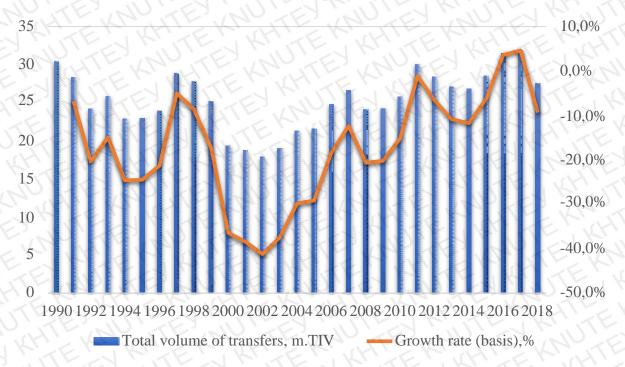


Figure 1.1 The trend in international transfers of MCW, m. TIV [4]

SIPRI has identified 67 countries as exporters of major arms in 2014-2018. The five largest arms suppliers in 2014-2018 were the United States, Russia, France, Germany and China, and they accounted for 76 per cent of the total global volume of exports of major weapons (see fig.1.2). Since 1950 the USA and Russia (or the Soviet Union before 1992) have consistently been by far the largest suppliers and, together with West European suppliers, have historically dominated the top 10 list of suppliers.

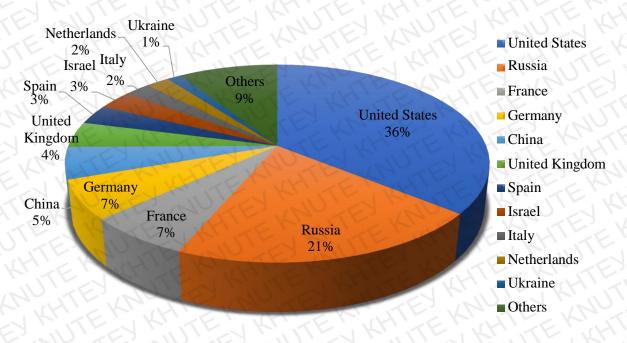


Figure.1.2. Global share of MCW exports by the 10 largest exporters, 2014-2018, [3]

Slowly but surely, Ukraine continues to give up its position as an arms exporter. The country that was recently among the top five arms suppliers in the world is not even in the top ten today.

According to the published on the eve of the SIPRI report "Trends in the global arms trade, 2018", over the past five years, the export share of Ukrainian arms in the world market has fallen by 47%. According to the researchers, from 2009 to 2014 it was 2.7%, but in the period from 2014 to 2018, it decreased almost twice - to 1.3%.

Thus, our country has dropped from eighth to 12th position in the ranking of the world's largest arms suppliers according to the institute. There are several reasons for

this sharp decline, but the most important are two. First is the wasteful handling of the military-technical legacy that Ukraine inherited after the collapse of the USSR, and as a result, the total depletion of its reserves. Second is the Russian aggression. The fact is that for many years Russia was considered the main importer of Ukrainian weapons, but after the annexation of Crimea in 2014, these trade relations were gradually terminated at the initiative of Kyiv [5].

Despite the armed conflict, Ukraine did not enter the rating of the largest buyers of weapons according to SIPRI. According to researchers, in 2014-2018, arms imports to Ukraine were limited and accounted less then 1% from the total volume (fig.1.3).

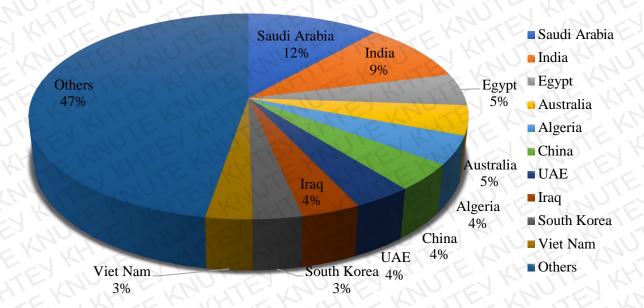


Figure 1.3 Global share of MCW imports by the 10 largest importers, 2014-2018, [3]

SIPRI has identified 155 countries as importers of major arms in 2014-2018. The top five arms importers – Saudi Arabia, India, Egypt, Australia and Algeria – accounted for 35 per cent of total arms imports in 2014-2018 (see fig.1.3). Among them, Saudi Arabia and India were in the top five importers in both 2009-2013 and 2014-2018. At the regional level, Asia and Oceania accounted for 40 per cent of imports in 2014-2018, followed by the Middle East, Europe, Africa and the Americas.

Analyzing the structure of world arms transfers by the weapon category (see fig.1.4), we can conclude that aviation technology is the first place among all categories of arms and military equipment in terms of actual deliveries by a large margin.

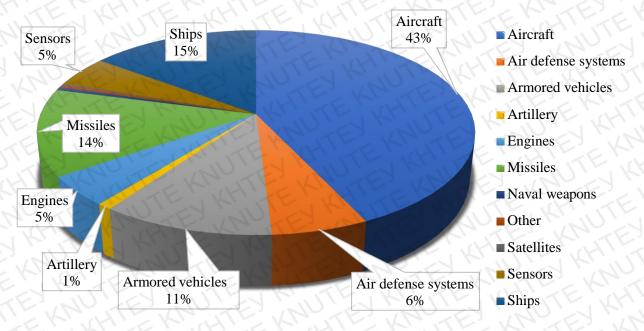


Figure 1.4 Global share of MCW transfers by the weapon category, 2014-2018, [3]

Lockheed Martin, Boeing and other top U.S. weapons makers said they had seen accelerating demand for U.S. weapons at the biennial air show despite escalating trade tensions between the United States and Europe. Many European nations have increased military spending since Russia's annexation of the Crimea region of Ukraine in 2014, bolstering missile defenses and upgrading or replacing ageing fighter jet fleets [6].

Between 2014 and 2018, SIPRI scientists estimated global aviation supplies at 62879 m. TIVs, accounting for 43% of all arms and military equipment sales. For the 2014-2018 period, the share of aviation equipment sales in the structure of world arms and military supplies gradually increased (ranging from a minimum of 11311 m. TIVs in 2014 to a maximum of 14071 m. TIVs in 2017).

World military expenditure is estimated to have been \$1822 billion in 2018 (see appendix A), accounting for 2.1 % of world gross domestic product (GDP) or \$239 per person [7]. At \$648 billion, the United States remained the world's largest

spender, accounting for 3.2 per cent of its GDP. China, the world's second largest spender, allocated an estimated \$250 billion to its military in 2018, an increase of 9.7 per cent compared with 2017, having stable increasing dynamics since 2014. Saudi Arabia became the third largest spender in 2018 with permanently largest share of military expenditure in GDP. India, where spending rose by 3 per cent in 2018 to \$66.5 billion, was the fourth largest spender. By contrast, Russia's military spending since 2014 fell by 27 per cent to \$61.4 billion, making it the fifth largest spender in 2017.

According to new data (see appendix B), in 2017 the sales of weapons and military services by the largest military-industrial companies included in the top 100 SIPRI totaled \$ 398.2 billion. It is also worth noting, that the growth in sales of weapons and military services in the top 100 has been observed for the third year in a row. As stated in the Institute's report, in this particular case, this happened due to an increase in the cost of arms purchases by the United States and the Russian Federation [8]. Regarding Ukraine, our country, like Canada, Poland, Australia and Singapore, is represented in the ranking by only one company – the state concern "UkrOboronProm". Compared to 2016, its arms sales volumes fell by 11% to \$ 1 billion. Thus, Ukraine in the top 100 largest arms manufacturers in the world fell two places - from 79th to 81st place.

Based on the results of a macro analysis of the global arms trade market, one can see a stable and growing dynamics in the export and import of arms over the past decade, provoked by several military conflicts, as well as the dominance of monopolistic countries such as the United States and Russia, which largely justifies the structural distribution of armaments by categories. As for the place of Ukraine in the world arena, it is worth noting that after an active Soviet-era arms sales policy, our country (represented by the state concern "UkrOboronProm") fell to several positions due to the lack of technological capabilities of exported weapons. 1.2. Analysis of the financial and economic activities of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" is a state self-supporting foreign trade enterprise, established by the Government of Ukraine in 1998, the main activity of which is exportimport relations on the world market of products and services of military and dual-use purpose. The company makes a profit through commercial activities in the field of export and import of production and services of military and special purpose, results of intellectual activity, scientific production and technology, including military, special and double-purpose subject to export control, increased efficiency and the development of export potential of Ukrainian enterprises and the expansion of international cooperation in military-technical sphere.

Examining the dynamics of indicators of financial activity of the enterprise, we can conclude, that over the last 5 years of its functioning there has been a sharp growth of financial indicators from 2014 to 2015 (see fig.1.5).

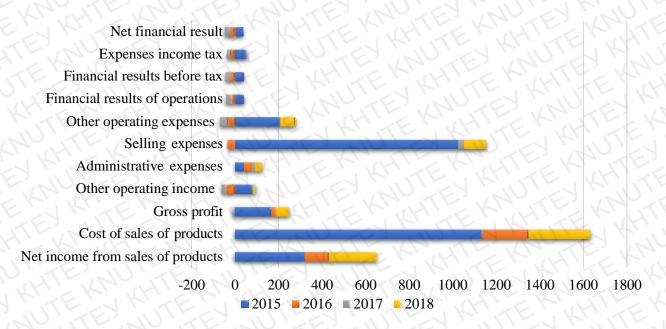


Figure 1.5. Percentage change in rate of increase, by type of financial activity, %, [composed by the author based on the appendix F]

The beginning of Russian aggression and anti-terrorist operations in eastern Ukraine can justify the situation above, since STE, which previously specialized mainly in export operations, received several import orders from the defense departments of Ukraine. When STE concludes an export transaction under a commission agreement, an accountant credits the commission fee of the enterprise to the "Net income from sales of products" section, and according to the commission agreement, the ownership of the goods does not transfer to STE. The situation is different in the case of import government orders, because an accountant credits the entire cost of the import contract to the "Cost of sales of products" section, and the cost of the whole government contract – to the "Net income from sales of products". Due to these features of the financial accounting of the enterprise, we can justify a sharp increase in indicators from 2014 to 2015 and their subsequent fluctuations.

Despite the rapid increase in the "Net income from sales of products" section in the enterprise in 2014, a completely opposite trend we observe in the "Net financial result" section. Starting in 2016, the growth rate of net profit had a negative value as we can see in the figure above. There are several reasons for this negative trend: a parallel increase in cost of sales and selling expenses, increased competition in view of manufacturers obtaining the right to sell military goods. Also a very important factor of the negative impact is that the company's commission for the export contracts is usually 6.5–9%, while for government orders it is only 1-3%, which can also be offset by exchange rate differences, which entails a significant reduction in the "Net financial result" section.

In the structure of assets of the company for the last 5 years, current assets occupy the main part (their value did not fall below 92% in the structure of assets), which include export commission contracts, that bring the company the bulk of income. Also current assets contain government contracts of the defense ministries of Ukraine and "situational" contracts of purchase and sale. Considering the dynamics of fixed assets of the enterprise (see fig.1.6), in 2017, their significant increase by + 1531.8% was noticeable, which is justified by obtaining the ownership of the building worth 19 million UAH, where STE office is located.

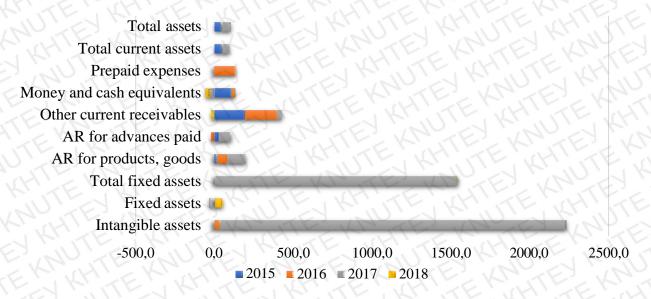


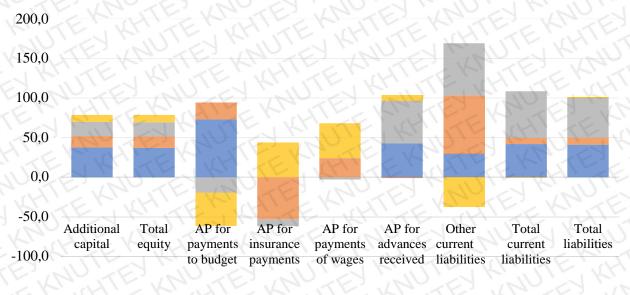
Figure 1.6. Percentage change in rate of increase, by type of assets, %,

[composed by the author based on the appendix C]

As for the dynamics of current assets, we can observe a sharp increase in all of their constituent balance sheets starting in 2014, associated with an increase in the activity of the enterprise in connection with incoming government orders and a slowdown in growth in 2018.

The company had no long-term liabilities for the study period. The bulk of the current liabilities of the enterprise we can explain with the balance sheet item "Current accounts payable for advances received", because with the advent of plentiful government orders, the need for long-term import contracts has appeared. This means that the Ministry of Defense ordered and paid for such a volume of goods, the production of which took 3-9 months, and accordingly all this time until the counterparty sent the goods to Ukraine, the amount of STE debt to the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine as the amount of the contract was recorded to the accounts payable item.

As for the dynamics of the company's liabilities (see fig.1.7), one should note here that the amount of additional capital increased every year by the amount of retained earnings, which, with stable values of registered capital, was the main factor in the dynamics of the total capital of STE.



**<sup>2015</sup> 2016 2017 2018** 

Figure 1.7. Percentage change in the rate of increase, by type of liabilities, %, [composed by the author based on the appendix D]

To assess the degree of liquidity, an entity uses different relative liquidity ratios that differ in liquidity, that they use to cover their liabilities. The absolute liquidity ratio from 2014 to 2016 was within the normative values (> 0.2) (see tab.1.2) and had an upward trend, which changed in 2017 due to the increase in the short-term liabilities of the enterprise. The values of other liquidity coefficients (current and quick ratios) are within the normative values. This indicates the balance of the capital structure, the ability of the entity to meet its short-term liabilities, that is, to repay the existing debts on time and to properly arrange the cash and cashless payments of the enterprise. As for the indicators of financial stability of the enterprise, their values during the period under review were normal, and there were no sharp fluctuations, except debt ratio and financial leverage ratio, the values of which tended to increase.

### Table 1.1

| TE                    | 31.12. | 31.12. | The                                | 31.12.   | The                                | 31.12. | The                                | 31.12. | The                                |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Index                 | 2014   | 2015   | absolute<br>deviation<br>2015/2014 | 2016     | absolute<br>deviation<br>2016/2015 | 2017   | absolute<br>deviation<br>2017/2016 | 2018   | absolute<br>deviation<br>2018/2017 |
| KH                    | TEN    | 1HV    | E.K.                               | Liquidit | y / Debt Rati                      | os     | KATE                               | Y L    | NEY                                |
| Cash<br>Ratio         | 0,215  | 0,314  | +0,099                             | 0,362    | +0,048                             | 0,160  | -0,202                             | 0,118  | -0,042                             |
| Current<br>Ratio      | 1,256  | 1,253  | -0,003                             | 1,269    | +0,017                             | 1,114  | -0,155                             | 1,127  | +0,013                             |
| Quick<br>Ratio        | 1,229  | 1,252  | +0,023                             | 1,261    | +0,009                             | 1,108  | -0,153                             | 1,120  | +0,012                             |
| 115                   | VH,    | TE     | F                                  | inancial | <b>Stability Rat</b>               | tios   | 10:21                              | 1- L   | JIK                                |
| Solvency<br>Ratio     | 0,271  | 0,262  | -0,009                             | 0,278    | +0,016                             | 0,206  | -0,072                             | 0,226  | +0,020                             |
| Financial<br>Leverage | 3,693  | 3,821  | +0,128                             | 3,595    | -0,227                             | 4,851  | +1,257                             | 4,431  | -0,420                             |
| Equity<br>Ratio       | 0,213  | 0,207  | -0,006                             | 0,218    | +0,010                             | 0,171  | -0,047                             | 0,184  | +0,013                             |
| Debt<br>Ratio         | 0,787  | 0,793  | +0,006                             | 0,782    | -0,010                             | 0,829  | +0,047                             | 0,816  | -0,013                             |

The dynamics of liquidity and financial stability ratios

Source: calculated and composed by the author based on SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data

The values and dynamics of these two coefficients are directly related to the liabilities of the enterprise, which during 2014-2018 tended to increase, and this occurred under the influence of several factors. Considering that the amount of government orders has increased, both the assets of the company at the end of the reporting period and liabilities in the form of payables to the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine have increased. Another factor is the fact that the number of complaints under contracts increases every year, while the export volumes decrease due to the low quality of factory fixed assets that are not updated.

In the case of STE a high asset turnover in 2014-2018 is considered good, since it implies that company quickly collects receivables and heavily utilizes fixed assets. This implies a minimal need for invested funds, and therefore a high return on investment.

### Table 1.2

| Index                         | 2015    | 2016   | The<br>absolute<br>deviation | 2017     | The<br>absolute<br>deviation | 2018    | The<br>absolute<br>deviation |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|------------------------------|----------|------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|
| NUTEIN                        | TE      | 1/1/   | Turnover                     | ratios   | 2 mill                       | ) / K   | NU                           |
| Asset turnover                | 0,268   | 0,464  | +0,196                       | 0,342    | -0,123                       | 0,903   | +0,561                       |
| Inventory turnover            | 14,051  | 87,873 | +73,821                      | 42,720   | -45,152                      | 138,031 | +95,311                      |
| AR turnover                   | 4,296   | 6,310  | +2,013                       | 3,105    | -3,205                       | 7,801   | +4,697                       |
| AP turnover                   | 16,290  | 59,181 | +42,890                      | 58,885   | -0,296                       | 32,529  | -26,355                      |
| Cash conversion cycle         | 88,525  | 55,832 | -32,693                      | 119,913  | +64,082                      | 38,211  | -81,702                      |
| Days inventory<br>outstanding | 110,930 | 61,999 | -48,931                      | 126,112  | +64,113                      | 49,431  | -76,680                      |
| NUTE                          | JULE    | 11. 6  | Profitabilit                 | y ratios | JK'                          | JIL K   | 5.17                         |
| ROE                           | 37,052  | 24,133 | -12,919                      | 15,320   | -8,813                       | 13,083  | -2,237                       |
| ROA                           | 7,772   | 5,134  | -2,638                       | 2,905    | -2,230                       | 2,323   | -0,582                       |
| ROI                           | 114,059 | 44,754 | -69,306                      | 39,656   | -5,098                       | 16,604  | -23,051                      |
| Net profit margin             | 28,969  | 11,056 | -17,913                      | 8,499    | -2,556                       | 2,573   | -5,926                       |

The dynamics of turnover and profitability ratios

Source: calculated and composed by the author based on SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data

With regard to profitability ratios, it is worth noting that since 2014, they had an inherent dynamics of decline, which is directly related to the dynamics of the company's net profit, which during 2014-2018 decreased due to fluctuations in foreign exchange earnings and an increase in government orders for defense departments of Ukraine.

After analyzing the financial and economic condition of the enterprise, we were able to identify the main difficulties in the activities of the enterprise and the factors that provoke them. Apparently, the beginning of Russian aggression entailed irreversible changes in the structure of STE work, namely the termination of cooperation with the Russian Federation, the reduction in the range of armaments that the government allows to export, the increase in state import contracts, the commission of a special exporter for which is minimal, which partly undermines the activities of the enterprise due to a significant decrease in profits.

#### Conclusions to part 1

In this part, a study of the current state of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in the context of the global environment of the enterprise and the internal "ecosystem" of the enterprise concerning the financial and economic state was conducted. In the course of the international arms market research over the past 5 years, several of its major trends and patterns have been identified. Total global militarization due to the intensification of military conflicts and the development of critical technologies are actively stimulating the growth of arms trade, which is well evident in the scale of the last decade. The dominant positions of the main arms exporters were distributed between the US and Russia, France, Germany and China (but the US prevails in this Top-5). In terms of imports, Saudi Arabia, India and Egypt remain leaders, due to the difficult geopolitical situation of these countries.

Speaking about Ukraine's place in the international arena, it should be noted that after the depletion of Soviet-made military equipment and the beginning of military aggression, Ukraine has emerged from the top ten arms exporters, which in turn has led to some changes in the operation of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport".

Examining the dynamics of financial and economic indicators of enterprise activity over the last 5 years, we can notice a significant increase in indicators since 2014, which is due to the significant activation of defense orders from the military departments of Ukraine. Despite the increase in the total income of the enterprise, the dynamics of profit is the opposite due to the minimal commission of the special exporter commission for state defense orders, compared to the commission for export contracts. This situation is critical for the enterprise and creates the preconditions for strengthening the competitive position of the enterprise in the international market of arms and military equipment.

#### PART 2

### **RESEARCH OF THE COMPETITIVENESS OF**

### SFTE «SPETSTECHNOEXPORT» ON THE INTERNATIONAL ARMS MARKET

2.1. Diagnostics of the external environment of the activity of SFTE "SpecTechnoExport"

The global arms market is a specific sector of international relations with a variety of factors which determine the parameters of this market. Political instability, rising military tensions, armed conflicts all naturally lead to militarization and increased demand for weapons. For the analysis of external factors of influence of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" we will use widely recognized PESTEL analysis [9, p. 1].

In the research process, we will determine the degree of influence of factors on the company and assess the likelihood of a change or occurrence of the factor. After we select all factors that can influence the sales and profits of the company, it is necessary to assess the strength of the influence of each factor. The strength of the influence of the factor is evaluated on a scale of 1 to 3. The probability of changes is evaluated on a 5-point scale, where 1 means the minimum probability of a change in the environmental factor, and 5 means the maximum probability of a change. Impact assessment is evaluated:

$$Impact assessment = \frac{Factor influence \times Factor change}{\Sigma Factor influence}$$
(2.1)

The first group of factors (see tab.2.1), having the total impact of 0,63 shows us that political factors often have an impact on arms trading companies and how they do business. Due to the deep connection between government and defense industry, such factors like political stability and government policy have a special impact on company's functioning, especially in the time of Russian aggression which affected the east of Ukraine, where strategically important enterprises located.

# Table 2.1

# Impact of political factors on the competitiveness of

| SFTE | "SpetsTechnoExport" |
|------|---------------------|
|      |                     |

| Factor name            | Impact description  | Factor<br>influence | Probability of factor change | Impact<br>assessment |
|------------------------|---|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Government<br>policy   | The reduction in national weapons programs in countries -<br>leading producers of arms leads to an increase in quantity of<br>production, oriented on export; applying the differentiated<br>approach by the Ukrainian government and setting a standard<br>for economic entities involved in the defense sector, at a<br>minimum of 30 % [10]. | 2                   | 3                            | 0,14                 |
| Political<br>stability | In order for the army to respond to the existing threats of<br>Russian aggression, the Ukrainian defense industry is faced<br>with clear tasks: first, to arrange the quality repair and<br>upgrade of existing weapons; secondly, to develop,<br>commercially produce innovative military and dual-use<br>products.                            | 3                   | 4                            | 0,28                 |
| Corruption             | The surge in military spending has held back efforts to<br>defeat the corruption and self-dealing that many see as<br>Ukraine's most dangerous enemy. The International<br>Monetary Fund and the European Union have suspended<br>assistance money totaling more than \$5 billion [11].   | EX                  | 2                            | 0,05                 |
| Foreign trade policy   | Rigid and opaque regulation prevents domestic entrepreneurs<br>from competing in international tenders, forcing private<br>producers to transfer capacity and taxes to neighboring<br>countries of the European Union [12].   | 2                   | 2                            | 0,09                 |
| Trade<br>restrictions  | After the annexation of Crimea in April 2014, Kyiv stopped<br>military-technical cooperation with Moscow, and in August<br>of that year, the decree of Petro Poroshenko "On measures to<br>improve the state military-technical policy" suspended the<br>supply of military and dual-use products to Russia [13].                               | 3                   | 242                          | 0,07                 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author.

Table 2.2 shows us how strongly economic factors with the total impact of 0,6 influence the enterprise. Rising military tensions naturally lead to militarization, higher military spending and increased demand for weapons.

## Table 2.2

## Impact of economic factors on the competitiveness of

| SFTE | "SpetsTechnoExport" |
|------|---------------------|
|      |                     |

| Factor name  | Impact description  | Factor influence | Probability of factor<br>change | Impact assessment |
|--|---|------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Government<br>spending on the<br>Ukrainian<br>defense industry | Increased significantly in hryvnia terms after the aggression in the east, and this can be seen in the increase in the portfolio of state defense orders of STE.  | 2                | 3                               | 0,14              |
| Market demand  | According to experts, the global arms market has a steady<br>upward trend. According to SIPRI experts, the amount of<br>weapons and military equipment sold worldwide in 2013–<br>2017 increased by 10% compared to 2010–2012. This was<br>due to the activity of a group of developed countries<br>interested in increasing sales of their military products on<br>the world market. | 3                | 4                               | 0,28              |
| Inflation  | Inflation is usually an important factor in the functioning of<br>any enterprise, and STE is not an exception, because in its<br>commercial offers to foreign customers, it sets prices in the<br>light of inflation, which makes them less competitive in the<br>international arena.  | 2                | 2                               | 0,09              |
| Exchange rates   | Considering the specificity of activity of the enterprise,<br>namely, foreign trade operations, payment for which is<br>made in foreign currency, while tracking performance<br>trends it is necessary to remember about how the exchange<br>rate (absolute deviation of income and expenses from<br>exchange differences) affects of monetary balance sheet<br>items.                | 2                | 2                               | 0,09              |

Source: calculated and composed by the author

Assessing the impact of social factors (see tab.2.3) on both the defense industry and STE we should remember that despite the insignificant weight of factors in relation to the company's activities, in the long run they have a global and comprehensive influence in the context of the world arms trade.

# Table 2.3

| Impact of social factors on the competitiveness of SFTE | "SpetsTechnoExport" |
|---|---------------------|
|---|---------------------|

| Factor name  | Impact description   | Factor<br>influence | Probability of<br>factor change | Impact<br>assessment |
|--|--|---------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Globalization of<br>the arms<br>industry                               | While wholly indigenous armaments production may be on<br>the decline multinational arms production through<br>collaboration on individual weapons systems and<br>increasingly via interfirm linkages across the international<br>arms industry appears actually to be expanding [14].                                     | X X X X             | 4                               | 0,09                 |
| Radically<br>negative<br>perception of<br>arms trade by<br>the society | Civil society organizations preventing the unchecked spread<br>of conventional arms, enhancing transparency and<br>facilitating accountability thereby reducing misperceptions,<br>building trust and creating fair competition between arms<br>trading companies, excluding illegal shadow players in the<br>market [15]. | LCH W               | 5                               | 0,12                 |
| Limited access<br>to qualified<br>human<br>resources                   | The use of more sophisticated technologies and<br>understanding of new globalization business strategies leads<br>to the limited availability of prepared and qualified staff and<br>an increase in the cost of pay, investment in training.   | X T X               | 3                               | 0,07                 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author

Technological factors with total impact of 0,7 are proving the importance of company competitiveness progressiveness and necessary requirement of new technologies usage in production of weapons.

# Table 2.4

Impact of technological factors on the competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

| Factor name  | Impact description  | Factor<br>influence | Probability of factor change | Impact<br>assessment |
|--|---|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Technology<br>incentives &<br>level of<br>innovation | Military organizations begin exploiting a wide variety of<br>new technologies through organizational adaptation and<br>doctrinal innovation. The result will be fundamental<br>change in the way wars are fought. | 2                   | 544<br>4                     | 0,19                 |

# Continuation of table 2.4

| Automation              | Development of drones and armed robots which may be<br>able to select, identify, and destroy targets, which is a<br>necessary requirement for an arms trading company to<br>stay competent on the market [16].   | 2   | 4 | 0,19 |
|-------------------------|--|-----|---|------|
| R&D activity            | Once weapon systems research skills are accumulated via<br>long-term stable policy support then the maturing of such<br>a R&D skills enhances the potential benefits due to<br>shorter development times, reduced costs and improved<br>performance [17].  | 2   | 5 | 0,23 |
| Technological<br>change | While specialized defense hardware is remaining, dual-<br>use equipment is becoming increasingly central to the<br>performance of advanced military forces. As a result, it is<br>more difficult to track the implications of trade in<br>defense-related hardware simply by monitoring transfers<br>of major weapons systems. | RAX | 4 | 0,09 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author

The influence of environmental factors on the enterprise can be traced through their influence on the committees - Ukrainian weapons manufacturing plants, which are directly affected by these factors.

Table 2.5

### Impact of environmental factors on the competitiveness of

## SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

| Factor name   | Increasing Increasing global demand for unprocessed and processed minerals, metals and other semi-finished materials, the volatility in the prices of some of them, as well as the   |  |   | Impact<br>assessment |
|---|--|--|---|----------------------|
| scarcity of raw   |  |  |   | 0,09                 |
| Doing business<br>as an ethical and<br>sustainable<br>company | sustainable sustai |  | 4 | 0,09                 |

| Continuation of | table | 2.5 |
|-----------------|-------|-----|
|-----------------|-------|-----|

| Carbon footprint<br>targets set by<br>governments | Over the past last decade the developing countries have<br>reduced its fossil fuel consumption through actions that<br>include using renewable energy, weatherizing buildings<br>and reducing aircraft idling time on runways, which<br>required much of investments in the industry [19]. | A TINY | 4 | 0,09 |
|---|--|--------|---|------|
|---|--|--------|---|------|

Source: calculated and composed by the author

Given the specifics of the defense sector, it is worth noting the strong influence of legal factors, since the world community is extremely concerned about the issue of regulation and control of arms trade.

## Table 2.6

## Impact of legal factors on the competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

| Factor name  | Impact description  | Factor<br>influence | Probability of factor change | Impact<br>assessment |
|--|---|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Domestic law regulation  | States regulate the arms trading of corporations and persons<br>within their jurisdiction by regulating the manufacture,<br>export, import, transportation, insurance, financing,<br>ownership, stockpiling and use of weapons.       | 3                   | 2                            | 0,14                 |
| Requirements<br>imposed on<br>exporters  | End-user requirements, accompanied by controls on re-<br>exporting and requirements on States to ensure good receipt<br>of the export at its destination, through the use of verified<br>delivery.                                    | 2                   | 3                            | 0,14                 |
| Regional<br>agreements of a<br>legally binding<br>nature   | Reflect the commitment of States to reducing the risk that<br>arms transfers contribute to an international crime. These<br>instruments are often accompanied by guidance for domestic<br>regulation and statements of best practice. | 2                   | 3                            | 0,14                 |
| Arms embargoes Create obligations not only for State Parties, who are often required to ensure that breaches of the terms of the embargo do not take place on their territory, but also for the nationals of those States, who may be prevented from engaging in arms trading with the target, regardless of whether this occurs on the territory of a State part [20, p. 10]. |   | 3                   | 3                            | 0,21                 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author

PESTEL analysis provided us with the opportunity to identify, from all factors, two main groups with the strongest influence on the enterprise and industry as a whole - political and technological, as arms trade is an important foreign policy tool and is fully regulated by the state, and is also extremely subject to any technological changes in the world.

2.2. Assessment of the level of competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in the international market.

In 2018, SpetsTechnoExport continued to increase the volume of militarytechnical cooperation with the longtime partner countries of Ukraine, as well as intensified its work in new markets.

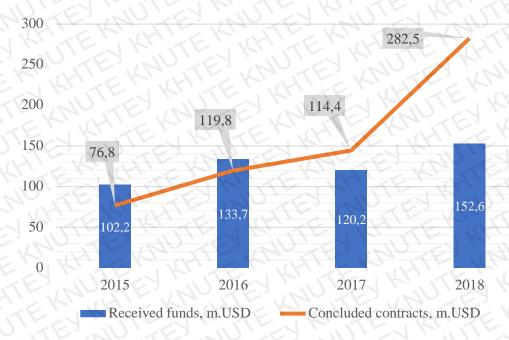
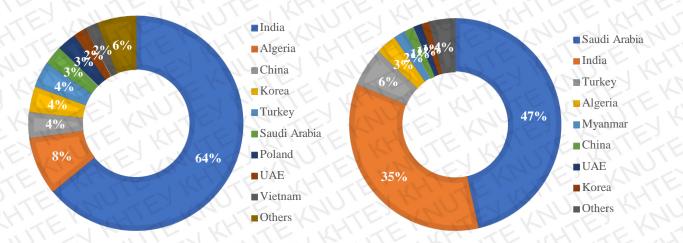
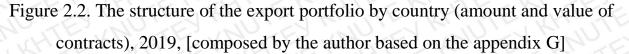


Figure 2.1. The dynamics of signed contracts in 2015-2018, m.USD [21] The key trend for STE is an increase in the volume of signed contracts in 2018.

The largest export partners of the company in terms of amount and value of contracts signed in 2019 were India, Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Turkey, Myanmar, China, Korea, UAE.





The key and long-standing partner of STE is India, not least thanks to the sale of Soviet-made military equipment, its share in the company's exports by the amount of contracts concluded in the 7 months of 2019 was 64%, the value of contracts - 35%, second only to Saudi Arabia with 47% (due to the contract for the supply of anti-tank missile systems). The company is no less actively cooperating with Turkey, where there are also many projects, including the creation of new joint weapons. China and Korea are a new and promising area of Ukrainian military exports, since their orders are based on development services, engineering services and research, most of which are performed by professors at the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute.

For several years now, about 10% of the company's revenue comes from research projects carried out in the interests of foreign customers. These are unique projects in which new technologies are developed at the expense of a foreign customer with the support of national scientific schools. The main areas of activity of SpecTechnoExport for import in 2018 were the supply of military radio systems, small arms and ammunition, light armored vehicles.

In order to confirm the above, a statistical grouping was carried out according to the nomenclature of arms on the contracts concluded by the enterprise. The outer circle of the diagram shows the structural distribution of arms groups by the quantity of supply contracts, the inner circle shows the structural distribution by the value of contracts.

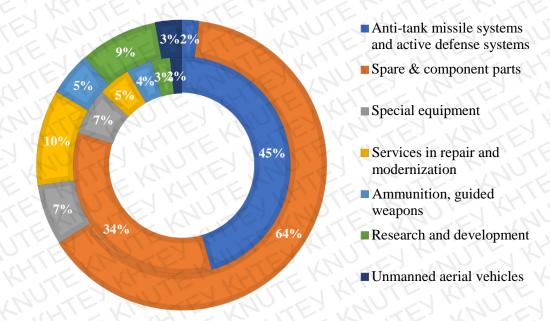


Figure 3.2. Structure of contractual agreements of enterprise by arms group, 2019, %, [composed by the author based on SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data]

The constructed diagram allows us to draw parallels between contract value and quantity depending on the type of weapons. Apparently, in terms of quantity, contracts for the supply of spare parts and repair services prevail, because the Ministry of Defense of India was the main contractor of the enterprise in all previous years. In third and fourth place in terms of quantity were research works and special equipment.

The situation with respect to contract values differs significantly, because with one signed contract for the supply of anti-tank missile systems, which is a modern development of the Ukrainian Design Bureau, its amount exceeds the sum of all contracts for the supply of spare parts and units. This observation allows us to conclude that it is advisable to focus on creating the conditions for investing in the development and production of new weapons within the country. In order to conclude STE's competitiveness, it is worth mentioning that, first of all, the company is dealing with products of Ukrainian production, which it is obliged to distribute and sell to foreign customers. As UAVs are now in high demand in the global arms market, it is worth finding out how much domestic product can compete with an analogue product.

Table 2.7

| UAV model             | Technical parameters  |                     |                          |                                     |                               | Economical parameters |                                    |  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|
|                       | Max<br>speed,<br>km/h | Max<br>heigth,<br>m | Flight<br>length,<br>min | Max<br>take-<br>off<br>weigh,<br>kg | Radius<br>of<br>action,<br>km | Price per<br>unit, \$ | Operating<br>costs per<br>year, \$ |  |
| "Leleka-100"          | 120                   | 1500                | 120                      | 5,5                                 | 45                            | 31000                 | 1278                               |  |
| "Warmate"             | 150                   | 3000                | 60                       | 4                                   | 20                            | 16700                 | 937                                |  |
| Weight coefficient, % | 23                    | 17                  | 25                       | 5                                   | 30                            | NUTE                  | KNUTE                              |  |

Technical and economic characteristics of UAV samples

Source: calculated and composed by the author

Based on the technical parameters of UAV we have established the weight coefficients. Used in the table the technical parameters that characterizes the performance of the main functions of the product and some of its technical characteristics. The calculation of the individual index of competitiveness is calculated as follows:

$$q_i = \frac{P_i}{P_{io}} \text{ or } q_i = \frac{P_{io}}{P_i}$$
(2.2)

where Pi and Pi0 - value of the ith technical index, if the increase leads to the improvement of the quality, it uses the first of the above formulas, in the opposite case the second.

Thus, the calculation of the indicators for the UAV "Leleka - 100" / "Warmate":

$$q1 = 120/150 = 0.8;$$
  

$$q2 = 1500/3000 = 0.5;$$
  

$$q3 = 120/60 = 2;$$
  

$$q4 = 4/5,5 = 0.73;$$
  

$$q5 = 45/20 = 2.25$$

Next, calculate the group indices of competitiveness which can be defined by the formula:

$$I_{tp} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} q_i \times a_i, \tag{2.3}$$

where qi is the unit index for the i-th technical indicator;

ai - weight i-th of technical indicator that is determined by expert evaluations  $(\Sigma ai = 1);$ 

n - number of technical indicators being assessed.

 $I_{tp} = 0.8 \times 0.23 + 0.5 \times 0.17 + 2 \times 0.25 + 0.73 \times 0.05 + 2.25 \times 0.3 = 1.48$ 

Factor bringing operating costs for the relevant year are given in table 2.8.

Table 2.8

| T, years            | Ed, 32%        |
|---------------------|----------------|
| TEEL KITELIK        | TER KHIEKKHIEV |
| KALEKI KOZEKA KALEO | 0,758          |
|                     | 0,574          |

Coefficients of adjustment of operating costs (UAV)

Source: calculated and composed by the author

$$ai = \frac{1}{(1+Ed)^{t'}}$$
 (2.4)

where Ed - is the rate of depreciation

Group indicator, which takes into consideration the cost of the buyer for the entire period of operation of unmanned aircraft for the point of view of economic parameters calculated according to the formula:

$$V_{ep} = P + \sum_{i=1}^{T} Ci \times ai/Po + \sum_{i=1}^{T} Co \times ai, \qquad (2.5)$$

where P, Po - the price of the goods valued, respectively, of the sample;

Ci, Co - total operating costs;

T - service life;

ai - the coefficient of changing of operational expenses for the respective year taking into consideration depreciation rates are given in table 2.8.

Consequently, the group index for the economic parameters for the production of the competing companies is equal to:

$$I_{7D} = \frac{\$31000 + \$1278 \times (1 + 0.758 + 0.574)}{\$16700 + \$937(1 + 0.758 + 0.574)} = 1,799$$

Find the integral indicator of competitiveness of production according to the formula:

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{I}sr \times \frac{\mathbf{I}tp}{\mathbf{I}ep} \tag{2.6}$$

For real competitiveness on the market, take standard rate of Isr = 1, then the integral index:

$$K\frac{L}{w} = 1 \times \frac{1,48}{1,799} = 0,82 \text{ or } 82\%$$

This integral indicator of competitiveness indicates that the UAV of Ukrainian production by 18% loses its Polish counterpart and that is the reason. Although Ukrainian Leleka-100 performance is better in UAV specifications, the economic parameters impair the competitiveness of domestic goods, since they are almost fully stocked with imported electronics, which, unfortunately, is not cheap.

In Ukraine, there are a large number of enterprises involved in aviation, and therefore we have the technological and human resources to develop aviation vehicles, including UAVs. On the other hand, we need to think about not only opportunities but also obstacles. Two of the most acute problems is the technological and material base [22].

After all, the Ukrainian defense industry produces neither radio equipment and electronics for drones, nor special materials for the devices themselves, so there is a dependency on the supply of components. Without the activation of developments in electronics and the production of light composite materials would be difficult to develop the industry of unmanned aerial vehicles.

### Conclusions to part 2

During the competitiveness study of SFTE "SpetsTecnoExport" in the international arms market, the PESTEL analysis method was applied to

comprehensively diagnose the external environment of the enterprise and to assess the level of international competitiveness using the integrated competitiveness indicator.

In the process of researching the key external factors influencing the activity of the special exporter, we were able to identify and weigh the impact of 23 main factors, organized according to political, economic, social, technological, environmental and legal groups. All these groups of factors have a significant impact on the enterprise, because the specificity of its activity causes its considerable dependence on state authorities, socio-economic environment, the level of technological progress, and especially the legal regulation of international arms trade at the micro and macro levels. Political and technological groups of factors were found to be the most influential.

In the process of studying the competitiveness of the enterprise in the world market, the structure of the export portfolio of the enterprise was analyzed by countries and by the nomenclature of arms. The main trading partner of the company - India has been identified, as evidenced by the amount and value of contracts concluded with this counter party. In contrast to such a stable partnership (in the majority of trade in obsolete military equipment and spare parts), a new potentially significant trading partner is Saudi Arabia, since one contract for the supply of a new model military equipment outweighs all contracts concluded with India, because of the need to increase the adaptability of military exports.

With the help of the integrated competitiveness index, we were able to evaluate its level in the context of the STE product as a military UAV. It is revealed that in comparison with the foreign analogue, the Ukrainian sample is less competitive in the market, the main reason being the high price of the goods due to the import dependence of the components in its manufacture.

#### PART 3

# WAYS OF IMPROVING THE COMPETITIVENESS OF SFTE «SPETSTECHNOEXPORT» ON THE INTERNATIONAL ARMS MARKET

3.1. Development of a set of measures to improve the competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

The complex context of the modern ecosystem of the functioning of SpetsTechnoExport creates certain prerequisites for dynamic changes in the structure of the company's activity. Demand for technology transfer, localization of production is growing in key markets – no one wants to buy just "iron", former customers become competitors in the future, which creates a need for new understanding of the company's product and value creation, along with a focus on technological advancement. The country's enormous engineering and technological potential, aroused by military aggression (with the actual depreciation of fixed assets, lack of resources for modernization and development, and sometimes dubious product quality), is a "window of opportunity" for an innovative leap.

The company operates in more than 30 geographic markets, each with its own complex context (political, bureaucratic, historical, religious, geographical, geopolitical). For each market, a separate "client's row" should be developed that takes into consideration the roles of customers and their needs to maximize value proposition. It is also important to form a holistic vision of a complex product for each market based on the needs of each client in the "client's row".

It was decided to design the proposed "clients' rows" on a specific example of the Indian market. To this end, business professionals need to work out contexts in terms of their importance to the company, the goals of the company and the necessary actions to achieve the goals in the short, medium and long term, to formulate strategic assumptions and determine the necessary steps to implement a comprehensive value proposition (including involvement of partners in Ukraine and abroad, organizational changes).

•Growing tension zone - China, Pakistan. Country surrounded by enemies. In fact, the Cold War

•The local conflict zone is Kashmir

What does it mean for STE?

STE goals

Actions to reach success

Short-term (2yrs.):

- The need for constant modernization of old machinery and the purchase of new

- "Enemies" operate Soviet and derivative models of machinery, well known

- Demand is due to the geography of the region (terrain, climate, water) Short-term (2yrs): - Increase presence in modernization projects

upgrade options - Offer solutions for specific tasks

- Try NATO standard

Short-term (2yrs):

- Initiatively invest in technology modernization projects (in line with NATO standards).

- Adapt the technique, form ready-made solutions (packages) for the needs of local conflict

- To formulate proposals based on technological and tactical superiority over specific technical means of "enemies"

- Seek out local partners for partial technology transfer

Figure 3.3. Developing the contextual component of the Indian market with the transition to strategic assumptions [composed by the author]

The next necessary step for the enterprise is to initiate and implement a clear division between sectors in the departments of all markets of the world, monthly control of the quality of the standardization of markets, adjustment of tasks and prioritization of projects. An important emphasis should be on research and consideration of geopolitical, military, historical, cultural and other contexts. It is necessary to study the types of weapons in the arsenal of defense agencies of the countries, the terms of use of the upgrade. No less important step is the systematic finalization of tenders, understanding of the budget, needs, trends, competition, systematic search for industrial, scientific and political partners [23, p. 424].

Changes in product specialization should also be initiated at the enterprise:

- Determination of responsibility in the company for specific areas; in the long term – creation of a product department with the division between sectors of separate directions.
- Cataloguing of products available in the world technical characteristics, advantages and disadvantages, price parameters; tracking global trends and trends.
- Creation of internal catalogue of available products, contacts of suppliers, developers (including products of partner countries); portfolio diversification.
- Tracking projects / tenders in the world repair and modernization of Soviet designs, replacement of outdated ones, sale of old equipment and more.
- Proposals to fill the gaps in the product portfolio product development, affiliate programs (combinations, combinations, licensed production).

Based on the above proposals, we may offer a new approach to core business – a matrix sales structure (see tab.3.1), the essence of which should always be the responsibility of a specific project for two specialists: a country specialist, who will form the commercial part of the proposal (intermediaries, competition, partnerships, cultural aspects) and a product specialist who will form the technical part of the proposal and ensure that suppliers receive commercial offers.

Table 3.1

| Y                                      | HITEKKHITEK   | HIL    | E                       | KY.  | JTE            | Re   | gions (S | Sales   |      | 1   | TE  |
|--|---|--------|-------------------------|--|----------------|--|----------|---|------|---|-----|
| ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ |   |        | All regions (70 people) | South, East, Central Asia,<br>West, Central Africa,<br>North America, Kuwait |                | Middle East, East Africa<br>Western Europe |          | South, Central Africa,<br>Central, Eastern Europe,<br>Oceania |      | Southeast Asia, North<br>Africa, Central, South |     |
| ALL Y                                  | WUTLEY KNUTEY   | KNU    | A                       |  | C №1<br>beople | DC №2<br>10 people                         |          | DC №3<br>15 people  |      | DC №4<br>15 people                              |     |
| 17                                     | All products (26 people)  |        | U,                      | 14   | JK             | U.   | 1 L      | Kr  | 1.1  | F   | XM  |
| 5                                      | Armored vehicles and artillery  | 3 ppl. | X                       | T  | EX             | XX   | TE       | EX  | L.   | E   | EV  |
| (                                      | Missiles and ammunition   | 3 ppl. | N                       |  | TE             |  | JU.      | E   | 1    | U,  | N   |
| ting                                   | Aviation technology   | 5 ppl. | i                       | Kr   | TTT.           |  | KY       | 1   | 1    | H   | TE  |
| arke                                   | Space technology  | 3 ppl. | E                       | 4  |                | 2  | X        | Y.  |      | 1   | Pic |
| Products (Marketing)                   | Optoelectronics, EWS, radar,<br>air defense, detection,<br>intelligence | 5 ppl. | TH T                    |  | K W X          | JTE<br>HT                                  | TE       | 2724  | TETE | J K   | 777 |
| Pro                                    | Marine platforms and tools  | 2 ppl. | 10                      | IT   | E V            | Ne   | TE       |   | 40   | TE  | X   |
| N                                      | Robotic platforms   | 3 ppl. | 12                      | UL.  |                | 18   | Ten.     | L   | Kr   | iT  | E   |
| 14                                     | Shotgun equipment, personal<br>protection, police                       | 2 ppl. | *                       | K  |                | EV   | KH       | T   | L A  | KHÍ   |     |

#### Matrix structure of enterprise sales

Source: composed by the author

The initiator of the project must be present at the negotiations, specialists (product and national) – the project team. The project can be initiated by any person in the company, however, without the necessary visas of the above specialists, requests for marketing, offers and approvals will not be sent. The standard created will be applied in the future by specialists assigned to specific markets for their development.

In the context of increasing the competitiveness of Ukrainian special exporters, offset activity should be considered as a way of obtaining the necessary technologies for the domestic military industry and military products. The Ukrainian defense-industrial complex is unable to master many modern technologies on its own, starting from the elemental base of microelectronics, microprocessor technology, nanotechnology, without which it is impossible to create modern models of weapons, ending with computers, night vision devices, and unmanned aerial weapons, land and sea based. The development of these technologies in Ukraine would significantly increase the profitability of enterprises, as these technologies are used in both civilian and military technology. In addition, the availability of these technologies allows the creation of samples of WME that can function in conditions of radio-electronic counteraction. Therefore, the domestic defense industry requires the acquisition of modern technologies for the production of military equipment [24].

The need for technical re-equipment of the Armed Forces of Ukraine determines the need for the importation of modern WME systems. Their cost is considerable, which is too burdensome for the State Budget today. In view of this, Ukraine has to introduce the practice of military-technical cooperation with foreign countries when importing WME, which would significantly reduce the burden on the budget and the national economy as a whole. When purchasing weapons and military equipment, it is more advantageous to use offset schemes [25]. Since the dominant tendency in the world arms market is the development of offset activity, so the domestic system of militarytechnical cooperation must take it into consideration in its development.

Offset agreements depend on the goals of the governments of the importing countries. Some countries (with the so-called "emerging economy") are seeking to close some of the weapons gaps and target offset targets (example: Singapore, Taiwan). Other countries have regional power ambitions (such as Brazil, India, Indonesia,

Turkey) that require developing their own capabilities to produce the full range of weapons systems domestically, so their offset strategy focuses on technology transfer. Some countries see offset as an opportunity to revive a destroyed or degraded national military industry (for example, Poland) [26].

In our case, it would be advisable to apply a direct offset – compensation agreements that are executed by the exporter in the defense industries of the importer in the framework of the offset projects directly related to the supplied military products. As a rule, similar offset schemes reflect in:

- organization of joint ventures for the manufacture of individual components, parts and spare parts for the supplied PMS;
- organization of assembled production of supplied PMS or its individual components;
- transfer of technology, development and know-how for the production of PMS supplied, as well as components for the organization of this production in the importing country;
- procurement of defense-related products by locally-produced services, subcontracting to local defense-related enterprises;
- secondment of the supplier's specialists to provide technical assistance (consulting on the operation, repair and maintenance of the supplied PMS).

Based on all of the above, we have to understand that Ukraine will not be able to produce all the nomenclature of the required WME by itself. Therefore, one of the priorities of the military-technical cooperation should be the acquisition of certain foreign WME, their joint or licensed production, using leasing mechanisms and offset schemes. 3.2. Forecast assessment of the effectiveness of the proposed activities for SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

To date, more than 130 countries have been using offsets for the implementation of agreements in the field of military and technical cooperation. According to the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 432 of April 20, 2011, there are the following types of compensation that can be provided under compensation (offset) agreements:

Performing works related to the maintenance and repair of military and special equipment and military property

Provision of services, in particular for the training of defense and security professionals

Provision of investments & technical assistance in defense and security sector reform

Transfer of intellectual property rights

Conducting applied research and development in Ukraine

Purchase of goods or services from the entities of Ukraine for the amount corresponding to the partial or full value of the exported goods (counter trade)

Provision of additional export opportunities to Ukrainian industrial enterprises

Figure 3.4. Types of offset compensation in Ukraine [27]

Given the identified problem of low competitiveness of UAV "Leleka-100" (mostly because of the overprice), we offered the following sequence of actions related to the organization of offset agreements, involving Ukrainian enterprises-manufacturers:

- 1. To acquire the necessary amount of ready-made weapons, military equipment and service tools;
- To purchase technological equipment for carrying out aggregate-block assembly of weapons and equipment, which will allow to create a certain number of jobs (the components will come from the exporter with whom the offset scheme is carried out);
- 3. Create a design bureau and a specific cooperative enterprise (if necessary to purchase additional technologies) for the development and production of radio equipment and electronics for the UAV, similar to those coming from the exporter;
- 4. The gradual transition to the production of domestic components for the UAV, and the independent production of weapons and equipment.

As the bulk of the export of WME in Ukraine is carried out by a state intermediary, it is the special exporter who should take the most active part in organizing and implementing offset programs during the MTC. This will simultaneously form a major export contract for WME, and the offset program that accompanies it.

Thus, when forming a general export program (delivery of PMS and fulfillment of offset obligations), it is possible to optimize the components of this program (basic and offset contracts) above all by price. Moreover, offsetting is eventually paid for by the same importer, albeit indirectly.

Achieving the maximum contract price for WME in the main contract process and making it possible to choose the cheapest option for the exporter, which is of great importance for the importer of offset obligations (high offset cost of measures can be ensured with the help of multipliers at low nominal cost) military-technical cooperation.

To evaluate the proposed measures to enhance the competitiveness of UAVs exported by STEs, it is important to understand their potential impact on the price of

these UAVs. That is, if the implementation of our proposed steps to implement the optimal offset agreements for the Ukrainian defense industry is successful and the use of imported components is gradually transformed into the production of its own radio

equipment and electronics required for UAV, then in the future it will affect the competitiveness of exported products.

In order to assess the potential impact on the competitiveness of the Ukrainian UAV "Leleka-100", we followed a gradual change in the integral coefficient of competitiveness of this product, depending on the percentage at which the price will drop if the import components are abandoned and replaced by local production.

At the same time, we consider the technical parameters of the UAV "Leleka-100" unchanged and compare it with the Polish analogue of the UAV "Warmate", the index of technical parameters remains unchanged, as well as the coefficients of operating costs:

 $I_{\text{TII}} = 0.8 \times 0.23 + 0.5 \times 0.17 + 2 \times 0.25 + 0.73 \times 0.05 + 2.25 \times 0.3 = 1.48$ 

According to experts, the rate of depreciation in the operation of military unmanned aerial vehicles is 32%, so the coefficients of change in operating costs will be respectively: ai1 = 1; ai2 = 0.758; ai3 = 0.574.

In our case, the index of economic parameters, which includes the price for the UAV and the cost of its operation, is subject to recalculation:

#### Table 3.2

| Forecasting the | price competitive | eness of SFTE "S | petsTechnoExport" |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                 |                   |                  |                   |

| Price<br>decrease,<br>% | P+Ci*(ai1+ai2+ai3) | P+Co*(ai1+ai2+ai3) | Іер  |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------|
| 5,00%                   | 32281,28           | 18885,08           | 1,71 |
| 10,00%                  | 30582,27           | 18885,08           | 1,62 |
| 15,00%                  | 28883,25           | 18885,08           | 1,53 |
| 20,00%                  | 27184,24           | 18885,08           | 1,44 |
| 25,00%                  | 25485,22           | 18885,08           | 1,35 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author

After calculating the index of economic parameters, we can calculate the final integral index of competitiveness. The table 3.3 shows that UAV "Leleka-100" becomes a competitive commodity in comparison with its Polish counterpart, with a decrease in its price and operating costs by 20%.

Table 3.3

| Price<br>decrease, % | Price after<br>decrease, \$ | Operating costs after decrease, \$ | Competitiveness |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| 5,00%                | 29450                       | 1214,10                            | 0,87            |  |  |
| 10,00%               | 27900                       | 1150,20                            | 0,91            |  |  |
| 15,00%               | 26350                       | 1086,30                            | 0,97            |  |  |
| 20,00%               | 24800                       | 1022,40                            | 1,03            |  |  |
| 25,00%               | 23250                       | 958,50                             | 1,10            |  |  |

Forecasting the integral competitiveness of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

Source: calculated and composed by the author

The proposed measures to increase STE's competitiveness are multidirectional, since they cover both the company's internal sphere of operation (changes in departments, personnel policy) and external (application of integrated solutions to foreign partners and facilitating their interaction with Ukrainian arms manufacturers through concluding offsets).

The company will in fact act as a system integrator thanks to its unique knowledge of different suppliers, customer needs and options to meet them. With regard to strategic assumptions about the financial performance of the enterprise, we can forecast that the new approach to investing in technological development will allow to counteract the detrimental effect of narrowing the list of products that special exporters can offer to foreign customers.

Table 3.4

| 2018   | 2019  | 2020  | 2021  | 2022  |
|--------|---|---|---|---|
| KAN    | TEE   | KAU   | TEZ   | KU  |
| 282,5  | 337,8   | 382,4   | 415,6   | 463,4   |
| 10,1   | 14,5  | 18,3  | 22,5  | 28,0  |
| 3,6    | 4,3   | 4,8   | 5,4   | 6,0   |
| NUT    | EX  | 1,1   | 1,7   | 2,5   |
| 1 Kril | JTEN  | Khi   | TE  | KH!   |
| 4%     | 7%  | 10%   | 15%   | 25%   |
| 5%     | 10%   | 20%   | 25%   | 30%   |
| HTE    | KIN   | HTE   | KAL   | TE  |
| 7      | 10  | 13  | 15  | 17  |
| 10%    | 15%   | 25%   | 30%   | 35%   |
| TEY    | NU  | EX  | NUT   | EY  |
| 51     | 54  | 58  | 62  | 67  |
|        | 282,5<br>10,1<br>3,6<br>-<br>4%<br>5%<br>7<br>10% | 282,5       337,8         10,1       14,5         3,6       4,3         -       -         4%       7%         5%       10%         7       10         10%       15% | 282,5       337,8       382,4         10,1       14,5       18,3         3,6       4,3       4,8         -       -       1,1         4%       7%       10%         5%       10%       20%         7       10       13         10%       15%       25% | 282,5       337,8       382,4       415,6         10,1       14,5       18,3       22,5         3,6       4,3       4,8       5,4         -       -       1,1       1,7         4%       7%       10%       15%         5%       10%       20%       25%         7       10       13       15         10%       15%       25%       30% |

Development targets for «SpetsTechnoExport»

Source: calculated and composed by the author

Scope of contracting – depends entirely on professional staff (contract specialists) with unique competencies and experience. One of the strategic goals is to increase the efficiency of contracting for the 1st specialist - from \$ 5.5 million per year to \$ 6.9 million over 5 years. Consideration should also be given to attracting new specialists with their further integration into the company's business model and training (while maintaining contract volumes) - no more than 3-5 people per year. To do this, company should develop job profiles, and conduct a separate interview with the competencies using case testing and case management.

In order to make the above targets a reality, an enterprise must use its core competence – to convince all stakeholders of the feasibility of a project. After all, a special exporter is strong and interesting when he brings added value to the project. It can be both a monetary resource, and intelligence, contacts, the ability to convince, to organize cooperation.

#### Conclusions to part 3

In this part we decided to propose a separate "client's row" for each market and design it on a specific example of the Indian market. To this end, business professionals need to work out contexts in terms of their importance to the company, the goals of the company and the necessary actions to achieve the goals in the short, medium and long term, to formulate strategic assumptions and determine the necessary steps to implement a comprehensive value proposition.

Also, we offered for the company a new approach to core business – a matrix sales structure, the essence of which should always be the responsibility of a specific project for two specialists: a country specialist, who will form the commercial part of the proposal and a product specialist who will form the technical part of the proposal and ensure that commercial offers are received from suppliers.

Having analyzed the experience of the leading arms exporters, we concluded that it is advisable to use offset schemes for the studied enterprise. In our case, it would be advisable to apply a direct offset – compensation agreements that are executed by the exporter in the defense industries of the importer in the framework of the offset projects directly related to the supplied military products.

As the bulk of the export of WME in Ukraine is carried out by a state intermediary, it is the special exporter who should take the most active part in organizing and implementing offset programs during the MTC. This will simultaneously form a major export contract for WME, and the offset program that accompanies it.

This approach to MTC will in the long term eliminate the dependence on key components for exported technological weapons due to the appropriate conditions of technology transfer under offset transactions. Forecast calculations of the integrated competitiveness of the Ukrainian UAV indicate that with a 20% reduction in price and operating costs, the domestic sample becomes more competitive in the international arms market than its foreign counterpart.

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the results of the study, we were able to come to the following conclusions and proposals on the development of competitiveness of the company special exporter and the diversification of exports of WME, taking into consideration the identified major trends in the world market:

- 1. The macro-analysis of the global arms trade market has shown us the steadily increasing dynamics of arms exports and imports over the past decade, triggered by a series of military conflicts, as well as by the dominance of "monopoly" countries in markets such as the US and Russia, which substantially substantiates. Regarding Ukraine's place on the world stage, it should be noted that after an active policy of selling Soviet-made military equipment, our country has fallen into several positions due to insufficient technological capabilities of exported weapons.
- 2. The beginning of Russian aggression entailed irreversible changes in the structure of SpetsTechnoExport, namely the termination of cooperation with the Russian Federation, the narrowing of the range of arms, to which the control authorities issue an export license, the increase of state defense orders, the special exporter commission for which are minimal enterprises due to a significant decrease in profits.
- 3. Diagnosis of the external environment of the enterprise activity by PESTEL analysis enabled us to identify key factors of influence on the enterprise and their weight. Political instability, growing military tension, armed conflicts all naturally lead to militarization and increased demand for weapons. Due to the deep link between the government and the defense industry, factors such as political stability and state policy have a particular impact on the functioning of the company, especially in times of Russian aggression that affected eastern Ukraine with several strategically important enterprises.

- 4. It is revealed that today active clients and partners of SpetsTechnoExport are military agencies of Ukraine and foreign countries, public and private companies from more than 30 countries of the world. The main partner of the export company is the Republic of India, where since 2000 the official representative office of "Spetechnoexport" has been successfully operating. Algeria, Indonesia, Malaysia, China, Poland, Turkey are also key export partners of the company. The company can implement complex projects for the needs of foreign customers, from the stage of research to serial manufacturing of finished products.
- 5. The analysis of the nomenclature of arms and the concluded foreign trade contracts allowed the company to draw parallels between the value of the contracts and the quantity, depending on the type of weapon. This leads to the conclusion that it is advisable for enterprises to focus on creating conditions for investment in the development and production of innovative and capital-intensive products. In the process of assessing the competitiveness of products sold by STE by technical and economic parameters, it was concluded that the Ukrainian UAV is 18% less competitive compared to a similar sample of a foreign competitor, which is due to economic parameters to a greater extent.
- 6. The complex context of the modern ecosystem of functioning SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" creates some prerequisites for dynamic change in the structure of company activity. Demand for technology transfer, localization of production is growing in key markets nobody wants it to buy just "iron", former customers become competitors in a future that creates a need for a new understanding of the product company and value creation along with a technology focus outstripping.
- 7. For each market, a separate client line should be developed that takes into account the roles of clients and their needs to maximize value proposition. It is

also important to form a coherent vision complex product for each market based on the needs of each client.

- 8. A new approach to doing business is proposed a matrix structure of sales, the essence of which is the allocation of project-specific responsibilities between two specialists: a specialist from the country who will form the commercial part of the proposal and a specialist in the product, who will form the technical part of the proposal and ensure the receipt of commercial offers from suppliers. It was also considered appropriate to introduce offset agreements with the use of offsets aimed at transferring technologies for the production of key components for the studied UAV, so that in the long term its price became more competitive.
- 9. The concrete steps for the introduction of offset agreements are proposed, as well as the optimal percentage reduction in the price and cost of operating the UAV sample under conditions of offset compensation agreements. This will increase the competitiveness of this product, and in the future, in the case of expanding the practice of offset agreements, will increase the level of manufacturability of goods sold by the special exporter, and therefore the demand for it will increase, which will entail maximizing the profits of the enterprise and thus more competitiveness.

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### APPENDICES

#### Appendix A

#### Dynamics of world military expenditure by country and share of GDP, m.US\$

| NUTT              | 2014                                    |                 | 2015                                    |                 | 2016                                    |                 | 2017                                    |                 | 2018                                    |                 |
|-------------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| Country           | Defense<br>spending, current<br>US\$ m. | Share of GDP, % | Defense<br>spending, current<br>US\$ m. | Share of GDP, % | Defense<br>spending, current<br>US\$ m. | Share of GDP, % | Defense<br>spending, current<br>US\$ m. | Share of GDP, % | Defense<br>spending, current<br>US\$ m. | Share of GDP, % |
| USA               | 609914,0                                | 3,5             | 596104,6                                | 3,3             | 600106,4                                | 3,2             | 605802,9                                | 3,1             | 648798,3                                | 3,2             |
| China             | 200772,2                                | 1,9             | 214093,1                                | 1,9             | 216031,3                                | 1,9             | 227829,4                                | 1,9             | 249996,9                                | 1,9             |
| Saudi<br>Arabia   | 80762,4                                 | 10,7            | 87185,9                                 | 13,3            | 63672,8                                 | 9,9             | 70400,0                                 | 10,3            | 67554,7                                 | 8,8             |
| Russia            | 84696,5                                 | 4,1             | 66418,7                                 | 4,9             | 69245,3                                 | 5,5             | 66527,3                                 | 4,2             | 61387,5                                 | 3,9             |
| India             | 50914,1                                 | 2,5             | 51295,5                                 | 2,4             | 56637,6                                 | 2,5             | 64559,4                                 | 2,5             | 66510,3                                 | 2,4             |
| France            | 63613,6                                 | 2,2             | 55342,1                                 | 2,3             | 57358,4                                 | 2,3             | 60417,5                                 | 2,3             | 63799,7                                 | 2,3             |
| UK                | 59182,9                                 | 1,9             | 53862,2                                 | 1,9             | 48118,9                                 | 1,8             | 46433,3                                 | 1,8             | 49997,2                                 | 1,8             |
| Japan             | 46881,2                                 | 1,0             | 42106,1                                 | 1,0             | 46471,3                                 | 0,9             | 45387,0                                 | 0,9             | 46618,0                                 | 0,9             |
| Germany           | 46102,7                                 | 1,2             | 39812,6                                 | 1,2             | 41579,5                                 | 1,2             | 45381,7                                 | 1,2             | 49470,6                                 | 1,2             |
| Korea,<br>South   | 37552,3                                 | 2,7             | 36570,8                                 | 2,6             | 36885,3                                 | 2,6             | 39170,7                                 | 2,6             | 43070,0                                 | 2,6             |
| Ukraine           | 4033,3                                  | 3,0             | 3616,9                                  | 4,0             | 3423,3                                  | 3,7             | 3647,6                                  | 3,2             | 4750,2                                  | 3,8             |
| Rest of the world | 457526                                  | LA1             | 394127                                  | 1/1             | 391688                                  | AL              | 420227                                  | NU              | 430398                                  | AL              |
| World             | 1687376,4                               | E               | 1715320,3                               | EY Y            | 1715299,6                               |                 | 1734645,7                               |                 | 1822077,8                               |                 |

Source: calculated and composed by the author based on SIPRI Arms Industry Database

# Appendix B

The SIPRI Top 100 arms-producing and military services companies in the world

| Rank<br>(2017) | Company                          | Country            | Arms Sales<br>(2017) | Arms<br>sales<br>(2016) | Arms<br>sales as a<br>% of tota<br>sales<br>(2017) |
|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| 1              | Lockheed Martin Corp.            | United States      | 44920                | 40630                   | 88   |
| 2              | Boeing                           | United States      | 26930                | 29510                   | 29   |
| 3              | Raytheon                         | United States      | 23870                | 22910                   | 94   |
| 4              | BAE Systems                      | United<br>Kingdom  | 22940                | 22790                   | 98   |
| 5              | Northrop Grumman Corp.           | United States      | 22370                | 21400                   | 87   |
| 6              | General Dynamics Corp.           | United States      | 19460                | 19230                   | 63   |
| 7              | Airbus Group                     | Trans-<br>European | 11290                | 12520                   | 15   |
| 8              | Thales                           | France             | 9000                 | 8170                    | 51   |
| 9              | Leonardo                         | Italy              | 8860                 | 8500                    | 68   |
| 10             | Almaz-Antey                      | Russia             | 8570                 | 6110                    | 94   |
| 11             | United Technologies Corp.        | United States      | 7780                 | 6870                    | 13   |
| 12             | L-3 Communications               | United States      | 7750                 | 7630                    | 79   |
| 13             | Huntington Ingalls<br>Industries | United States      | 6470                 | 6720                    | 87   |
| 14             | United Aircraft Corp.            | Russia             | 6440                 | 5160                    | 83   |
| 15             | United Shipbuilding Corp.        | Russia             | 4980                 | 4060                    | 89   |
| 16             | Honeywell International          | United States      | 4460                 | 3480                    | 11   |
| 17             | Rolls-Royce                      | United<br>Kingdom  | 4420                 | 4450                    | 23   |
| 18             | Leidos                           | United States      | 4380                 | 4300                    | 43   |
| 19             | Naval Group                      | France             | 4130                 | 3480                    | 99   |
| 20             | Textron                          | United States      | 4100                 | 4760                    | 29   |
| 21             | Booz Allen Hamilton              | United States      | 4060                 | 4000                    | 70   |
| 22             | General Electric                 | United States      | 3830                 | 2480                    | 3  |
| 23             | Tactical Missiles Corp.          | Russia             | 3600                 | 2530                    | 99   |
| 24             | Mitsubishi Heavy Industries      | Japan              | 3570                 | 3670                    | 10   |
| 25             | Rheinmetall                      | Germany            | 3420                 | 3260                    | 51   |
| 26             | MBDA                             | Trans-<br>European | 3380                 | 3240                    | 97   |
| 27             | Babcock International<br>Group   | United<br>Kingdom  | 3230                 | 3380                    | 47   |
| 28             | Elbit Systems                    | Israel             | 3220                 | 3100                    | 95   |
| 29             | Russian Helicopters              | Russia             | 3170                 | 2620                    | 81   |

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| 20              | Dachtal Carr                                | United States     |      | $\frac{1}{2820}$ | -    |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|------|------------------|------|
| 30<br>31        | Bechtel Corp.                               | United States     | 3150 | 2820             | 12   |
|                 | Harris Corp.                                | United States     | 3040 | 4200             | 49   |
| $\frac{32}{22}$ | CACI International                          | United States     | 2980 | 2830             | 67   |
| 33              | Safran                                      | France            | 2910 | 2600             | 15   |
| 34              | High Precision Systems                      | Russia            | 2830 | 1940             | 97   |
| 35              | Science Applications<br>International Corp. | United States     | 2760 | 2630             | 62   |
| 36              | Saab  | Sweden            | 2670 | 2770             | 84   |
| 37              | Indian Ordnance Factories                   | India             | 2650 | 2280             | 96   |
| 38              | Hindustan Aeronautics                       | India             | 2610 | 2460             | 94   |
| 39              | CSRA  | United States     | 2580 | 2250             | 48   |
| 40              | United Engine Corp.                         | Russia            | 2570 | 1710             | 64   |
| 41              | Israel Aerospace Industries                 | Israel            | 2480 | 2610             | 70   |
| 42              | Orbital ATK                                 | United States     | 2390 | 1920             | 50   |
| 43              | Rockwell Collins                            | United States     | 2300 | 2230             | 34   |
| 44              | General Atomics                             | United States     | 2220 | 1910             | 19.2 |
| 45              | Rafael                                      | Israel            | 2210 | 1990             | 98   |
| 46              | CEA   | France            | 2170 | 2020             | 39   |
| 47              | Russian Electronics                         | Russia            | 2140 | 1581             | 57   |
| 48              | Kawasaki Heavy Industries                   | Japan             | 2140 | 2170             | 15   |
| 49              | Hanwha Techwin                              | South Korea       | 2130 | 2250             | 57   |
| 50              | Dassault Aviation Groupe                    | France            | 2120 | 1390             | 39   |
| S               | Bell Helicopter Textron<br>(Textron USA)    | United States     | 2080 | 2090             | 63   |
| 51              | AECOM                                       | United States     | 2070 | 2120             | 11   |
| 52              | KRET  | Russia            | 2060 | 1610             | 86   |
| 53              | ThyssenKrupp                                | Germany           | 1920 | 1770             | 4    |
| 54              | Oshkosh Corp.                               | United States     | 1840 | 1350             | 27   |
| 55              | KBR   | United States     | 1750 | 1090             | 42   |
| 56              | Krauss-Maffei Wegmann                       | Germany           | 1750 | 1050             | 97   |
| 57              | ST Engineering                              | Singapore         | 1680 | 1690             | 35   |
| 58              | Fincantieri                                 | Italy             | 1660 | 1600             | 29   |
| 59              | Cobham                                      | United<br>Kingdom | 1580 | 1550             | 60   |
| 60              | LIG Nex1                                    | South Korea       | 1560 | 1600             | 100  |
| 61              | ASELSAN                                     | Turkey            | 1420 | 1200             | 97   |
| 62              | DynCorp International                       | United States     | 1420 | 1280             | 71   |
| 63              | GKN   | United<br>Kingdom | 1410 | 1210             | EVI  |
| 64              | Bharat Electronics                          | India             | 1380 | 1150             | 86   |
| 65              | ManTech International<br>Corp.              | United States     | 1360 | 1460             | 79   |
| 66              | Uralvagonzavod                              | Russia            | 1340 | 1680             | 60   |
| 67              | Engility                                    | United States     | 1300 | 1350             | 67   |

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|-----|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------|-----------|---------|
| 68  | BWX Technologies                | United States     | 1300  | 1250      | 77      |
| 69  | Serco                           | United<br>Kingdom | 1250  | 1500      | 29      |
| 70  | Turkish Aerospace<br>Industries | Turkey            | 1220  | 1120      | 86      |
| 71  | Aerojet Rocketdyne              | United States     | 1220  | 1180      | 65      |
| 72  | TransDigm Group                 | United States     | 1190  | 950       | 34      |
| 73  | PGZ                             | Poland            | 1190  | 1140      | 90      |
| 74  | Hensoldt                        | Germany           | 1160  | 1160      | 95      |
| 75  | Vencore                         | United States     | 1130  | 860       | 83      |
| 76  | Vectrus                         | United States     | 1120  | 1190      | 100     |
| 77  | Fujitsu                         | Japan             | 1110  | 1150      | 3       |
| 78  | IHI Corp.                       | Japan             | 1070  | 1190      | 8       |
| 79  | Sierra Nevada Corp.             | United States     | 1020  | 900       | 64      |
| 80  | Austal                          | Australia         | 1020  | 950       | 96      |
| 81  | UkrOboronProm                   | Ukraine           | 1020  | 1060      | 96      |
| 82  | DXC                             | United States     | 1000  | 1000      | 4       |
| 83  | Nexter                          | France            | 960   | 910       | 95      |
| 84  | Embraer                         | Brazil            | 950   | 930       | 16      |
| 85  | DSME                            | South Korea       | 940   | 1190      | 10      |
| 86  | Teledyne Technologies           | United States     | 920   | 910       | 35      |
| 87  | Navantia                        | Spain             | 910   | 710       | 93      |
| 88  | Jacobs Engineering Group        | United States     | 900   | 990       | 9       |
| 89  | Precision Castparts Corp.       | United States     | 900   | 880       | 10      |
| 90  | Cubic Corp.                     | United States     | 890   | 880       | 60      |
| 91  | Curtiss-Wright Corp.            | United States     | 890   | 790       | 39      |
| 92  | The Aerospace Corp.             | United States     | 890   | 870       | 91      |
| 93  | Meggitt                         | United<br>Kingdom | 880   | 940       | 34      |
| 94  | Bharat Dynamics                 | India             | 880   | 730       | 100     |
| 95  | RUAG                            | Switzerland       | 870   | 820       | 44      |
| 96  | MIT                             | United States     | 870   | 770       | 86      |
| 97  | Moog                            | United States     | 860   | 830       | 35      |
| 98  | Korea Aerospace Industries      | South Korea       | 860   | 1760      | 47      |
| 99  | NEC Corp.                       | Japan             | 850   | 810       | NU      |
| 100 | CAE                             | Canada            | 840   | 780       | 38      |

Source: SIPRI Arms Industry Database

### Appendix C

Analysis of volume and structure of assets of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in

2014 – 2018 (thousands of hryvnias)

| NUTE  | 31.12.             | 2014                      | 31.1                      | 2.2015   | 31.1                      | 2.2016   | 31.1                      | 2.2017   | 31.1                      | 2.2018   |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|
| Indexes   | thous. of hryvnias | part of the property in % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+),<br>decreasing (-) of the level<br>of 2014, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+),<br>decreasing (-) of the level<br>of 2015, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+),<br>decreasing (-) of the level<br>of 2016, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+),<br>decreasing (-) of the level<br>of 2017, % |
| Intangible<br>assets  | 765                | 0,1                       | 0,05                      | -15,9  | 0,1                       | +37,8  | 1,0                       | +2195,6  | 0,9                       | -3,2   |
| Fixed assets  | 10206              | 1,1                       | 0,7                       | -14,0  | 0,6                       | +4,0   | 0,3                       | -20,1  | 0,5                       | +48,6  |
| Total fixed assets  | 10971              | 1,2                       | 0,7                       | -14,1  | 0,7                       | +6,3   | 7,7                       | +1531,8  | 8,0                       | +6,4   |
| Accounts<br>receivables<br>for<br>products,<br>goods,<br>works,<br>services | 63171              | 6,8                       | 5,8                       | +20,1  | 8,8                       | +64,3  | 12,5                      | +113,9   | 10,7                      | -13,6  |
| Accounts<br>receivables<br>for<br>advances<br>paid                          | 649923             | 70,4                      | 63,2                      | +26,8  | 46,4                      | -19,9  | 52,1                      | +68,5  | 57,0                      | +10,8  |
| Other<br>current<br>receivables   | 22516              | 2,4                       | 5,1                       | +192,9   | 14,0                      | +202,0   | 12,3                      | +31,7  | 9,6                       | -20,8  |
| Money and<br>cash<br>equivalents  | 156920             | 17,0                      | 24,9                      | +106,6   | 28,3                      | +24,1  | 13,3                      | -29,6  | 9,6                       | -26,6  |
| Total<br>current<br>assets  | 912560             | 98,8                      | 99,3                      | +41,8  | 99,3                      | +9,1   | 92,3                      | +39,6  | 92,0                      | +0,9   |
| Balance   | 923531             | 100,0                     | 100,0                     | +41,1  | 100,0                     | +9,1   | 100,0                     | +50,1  | 100,0                     | +1,3   |

Source: calculated and composed by the author based on SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data

### Appendix D

### Analysis of volume and structure of liabilities of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in 2014

| NUTEY                           | 31.12.             | 2014                      | 31.12                     | .2015   | 31.12                     | .2016  | 31.1                      | 2.2017  | 31.12                     | .2018   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|---------------------------|---|
| Indexes                         | thous. of hryvnias | part of the property in % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+), decreasing (-)<br>of the level of 2014, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+), decreasing (-) of the level of 2015, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+), decreasing (-)<br>of the level of 2016, % | part of the property in % | Rate of increasing (+), decreasing (-)<br>of the level of 2017, % |
| The<br>registered<br>capital    | 842                | 0,09                      | 0,06                      | 0,00  | 0,06                      | 0,00   | 0,04                      | 0,00  | 0,04                      | 0,00  |
| Additional capital              | 196160             | 21,2                      | 20,7                      | +37,5   | 21,7                      | +14,5  | 17,1                      | +17,9   | 18,4                      | +9,2  |
| Total equity                    | 196782             | 21,3                      | 20,7                      | +37,4   | 21,8                      | +14,4  | 17,1                      | +17,8   | 18,4                      | +9,2  |
| Current accou                   | unts payab         | le:                       | E                         | JUI   | E                         | NU   | EJ                        | ALUT!   | K                         | 2,5   |
| for goods<br>and services       | 6510               | 0,7                       | 0,8                       | +63,2   | 0,3                       | -61,0  | 2,5                       | +1191,7   | 2,3                       | -9,2  |
| for<br>payments to<br>budget    | 10468              | 1,1                       | 1,4                       | +73,1   | 1,5                       | +21,5  | 0,8                       | -19,2   | 0,5                       | -42,1   |
| for<br>advances<br>received     | 617065             | 66,8                      | 67,5                      | +42,7   | 61,5                      | -0,8   | 63,0                      | +53,9   | 66,8                      | +7,4  |
| Other<br>current<br>liabilities | 92706              | 10,0                      | 9,2                       | +29,9   | 14,7                      | +73,7  | 16,3                      | +65,8   | 10,0                      | -37,6   |
| Total<br>current<br>liabilities | 726749             | 78,7                      | 79,3                      | +42,1   | 78,2                      | +7,6   | 82,9                      | +59,0   | 81,6                      | -0,3  |
| Balance                         | 923531             | 100,0                     | 100,0                     | +41,1   | 100,0                     | +9,1   | 100,0                     | +50,1   | 100,0                     | +1,3  |

## - 2018 (thousands of hryvnias)

Source: calculated and composed by the author based on SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data

## Appendix E

Aggregated balance sheet of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in 2014 – 2018 (thousands

| Assets  | Code | On the<br>31.12.2014<br>3 | On the 31.12.2015 | On the 31.12.2016 | On the<br>31.12.2017<br>6 | On the<br>31.12.2018<br>7 |
|---|------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| EY NULLY MUTE   | 2    |                           | 4                 | 5                 |                           |                           |
| I. Fixed assets   | TEK  | SHIF                      | EKAT              | EEK               | TEE                       | KNITE                     |
| Intangible assets:  | 1000 | 765                       | 643               | 886               | 20339                     | 19678                     |
| initial value   | 1001 | 909                       | 1004              | 1489              | 21212                     | 21291                     |
| accumulated depreciation  | 1002 | 144                       | 361               | 603               | 873                       | 1613                      |
| Incomplete capital investments  | 1005 | JEY K                     | NUTE              | KIN               | KH                        | UTE                       |
| Fixed assets:   | 1010 | 10206                     | 8781              | 9128              | 7291                      | 10834                     |
| initial value   | 1011 | 18710                     | 19182             | 22324             | 21134                     | 25710                     |
| depreciation  | 1012 | 8504                      | 10401             | 13196             | 13843                     | 14876                     |
| Investment Property   | 1015 | EK-KH                     | TEK               | HTEE              | KETT                      | E KN                      |
| Long-term biological assets   | 1020 | (E-V)                     | TEY               | XND TE            | J KAU                     | K                         |
| Long-term financial investments:<br>that records under the equity<br>method other enterprises | 1030 | SHE                       | XNUTE<br>XNUTE    | X KAU             | TEK                       | NUTE                      |
| other financial investments   | 1035 | NUTE                      | AN S              | TEX               | NY EY                     | 1 NU                      |
| Long-term receivables   | 1040 | J KUT                     | E K               | JTE               | KH. TE                    | XH                        |
| Deferred tax assets   | 1045 | EKIKK                     | TEK               | KHTEF             | KANT                      | EEKA                      |
| Other fixed assets  | 1090 | TEN                       | VIE               | XNU T             | 135781                    | 132660                    |
| Total for Section I   | 1095 | 10971                     | 9424              | 10014             | 163411                    | 173836                    |
| II. Current assets  | EKT  | KHTE                      | KRYT              | EKA               | TEK                       | NUTE                      |
| Inventories   |      |                           | 13190             |                   |                           |                           |
| Current biological assets   | 1110 | J Kn                      | ENK               | TEN               | KHIT                      | ENT                       |
| Accounts receivable for products, 1<br>goods, works, services                                 |      | 63171                     | 75886             | 124651            | 266611                    | 230354                    |
| Receivable accounts for advances paid   | 1130 | 649923                    | 823970            | 659875            | 1111672                   | 1231792                   |

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| sale and disposal groups         | 1200 | TEK    | MITE    | KHI     | EJ      | FE      |
|----------------------------------|------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| III. Non-current assets held for | 1200 | E' KH  | TEY     | NUE     | 37      | EYK     |
| Total for Section II             | 1195 | 912560 | 1293924 | 1411292 | 1969665 | 1987485 |
| Other current assets             | 1190 | 62     | 3102    | 7970    | 3364    | 14738   |
| Prepaid expenses                 | 1170 | 453    | 409     | 947     | 908     | 884     |
| Money and cash equivalents       | 1165 | 156920 | 324125  | 402139  | 283043  | 207819  |
| Current financial investments    | 1160 | TEYN   | NU      | KIN     | 1 KA    | UT-     |
| Other current receivables        | 1155 | 22516  | 65945   | 199128  | 262313  | 207795  |
| including income tax             | 1136 | JKH !! | TE K    | TE      | KHT.    | ETH     |
| with a budget                    | 1135 | 138    |         | 7120    | 30856   | 79854   |

| Liability                              | Code                      | On the 31.12.2014 | On the 31.12.2015 | On the 31.12.2016 | On the<br>31.12.2017<br>6 | On the 31.12.2018 |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| TENTEN                                 | 2                         |                   | 4                 | 5                 |                           | 7                 |
| I. Equity                              | ANUX                      | EXM               | TEY               | KNU TE            | 7 CM                      | EXK               |
| The registered capital                 | 1400                      | 842               | 842               | 842               | 842                       | 842               |
| Capital in revaluation                 | 1405                      | CH TE             | KHTT              | EKNY              | TEEK                      | NTE               |
| Additional capital                     | 1410                      | 196160            | 269718            | 308726            | 363943                    | 397311            |
| Reserve capital                        | 1415                      | 210               | 210               | 210               | 210                       | 210               |
| Retained earnings (uncovered loss)     | 1420                      | EKAK              | TEK               | KHTE              | KAUT                      | EEKA              |
| Unpaid capital                         | 1425                      | (430)             | (430)             | (430)             | (430)                     | (430)             |
| Withdrawn capital                      | 1430                      | (-)               | (-)               | (-)               | (-)                       | (-)               |
| Total for Section I                    | 1495                      | 196782            | 270340            | 309348            | 364565                    | 397933            |
| II. Long-term liabilities and ensuring | HTE                       | KAKHT             | EXPE              | TEK               | NHTE                      | KND               |
| Deferred tax liabilities               | rred tax liabilities 1500 |                   | E                 |                   |                           |                   |
| Long-term bank credits 1510            |                           | -1-KH             | TET               |                   |                           |                   |
| Other long-term liabilities 1515       |                           | KRAT              | E-KR              | HTE               |                           |                   |
| Long-term ensuring                     | 1520                      | ULTE              | AN'T              | E                 | J'EY                      | NUTE              |

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|--|------|--------|---------|---------|-------------------|---------|
| Targeted financing   | 1525 | KNUTE  | N CA    | JEJ K   | NU                | Kral    |
| Total for Section II   | 1595 | JKH!   | TE-K    | TE      | KHILT             | ENT     |
| III. Current liabilities and ensuring  | KHT  | TEKN   | TETEV   | KHTE    | EKANT             | ETEX    |
| Short-term bank credits  | 1600 | TEEY   | NITE    | KAUT    | A B               | 36100   |
| Current accounts payable: for the long term obligations                                | 1610 | NUTEY  | KAUT    | EYKA    | UTEVY             | I N J   |
| for goods and services   | 1615 | 6510   | 10623   | 4148    | 53578             | 48634   |
| for payments to budget   | 1620 | 10468  | 18117   | 22011   | 17784             | 10289   |
| including income tax   | 1621 | 6584   | 6204    | 7136    | 7356              | 4649    |
| for insurance payments   | 1625 | TEVY   | 530     | 250     | 227               | 327     |
| for payments of wages  | 1630 | ATEN   | 1617    | 2011    | 1956              | 2815    |
| Current ensuring   | 1660 | NUTE   | 1411    | 829     | 4048              | 5332    |
| Deferred income  | 1665 | KAIT   | E-KH    | TEN     | CHI-TE            | KAT     |
| Other current liabilities  | 1690 | 92706  | 120401  | 209147  | 346825            | 216356  |
| Total for Section III  | 1695 | 726749 | 1033008 | 1111958 | 1768548           | 1763388 |
| IV. Liabilities related to non-<br>current assets held for sale and<br>disposal groups | 1700 | TEN    | KNUTE   | N KHU   | TEXX              | E TO TE |
| Balance  | 1900 | 923531 | 1303348 | 1421306 | 2133113           | 2161321 |

Source: SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" data

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## Appendix F

## Income statement of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport" in 2014 - 2018 (thousands of

| Item  | Code                 | 2014    | 2015     | 2016                      | 2017<br>6 | 2018      |
|---|----------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| KUHTEKUTE   | 2                    | 3       | 4        | 5                         |           | 27        |
| Net income (revenue) from sales<br>of products (goods and services) | 2000                 | 71232   | 298724   | 632686                    | 607354    | 1938486   |
| Cost of sales of products (goods and services)                      | 2050                 | (11287) | (139552) | (437078)                  | (434894)  | (1662448) |
| Gross:  | int!                 | - KA    | TEK      | HITE                      | KHIL      | TENT      |
| profit  | 2090                 | 59945   | 159172   | 195608                    | 172460    | 276038    |
| loss  | 2095                 | (-)     | (-)      | (-)                       | (-)       | (-)       |
| Other operating income  | 2120                 | 134061  | 242447   | 150634                    | 116318    | 133888    |
| Administrative expenses   | 2130                 | (51945) | (73395)  | (100569)                  | (115363)  | (150593)  |
| Selling expenses  | 2150                 | (2327)  | (26147)  | (17502)                   | (22196)   | (45123)   |
| Other operating expenses  | 2180                 | (64086) | (196477) | (136798) (85222) (146530) |           |           |
| Financial results of operations:                                    | 101                  | EN      | J'EY     | NUT                       | 1 Kril    | JEK       |
| profit  | 2190                 | 75648   | 105600   | 91373                     | 65997     | 67680     |
| loss  | 2195                 | (-)     | (-)      | (-)                       | (-)       | (-)       |
| Other financial income  | 2220                 | UTE     | 1 Krij   | IE KI                     | TE        | 911       |
| Other income  | 2240                 | THY I   | EKAN     | TEK                       | NITE      | 6         |
| Financial expenses  | 2250                 | (-)     | (-)      | (6135)                    | (1642)    | (5312)    |
| Losses from equity  | 2255                 | (-)     | (-)      | (-)                       | (-)       | (-)       |
| Other expenses  | 2270                 | (24)    | (12)     | (-) <                     |           | (82)      |
| Financial results before tax:                                       | N.J.                 | STEY    | KUTE     | ET KI                     | TELK      | T, TE     |
| profit  | 2290                 | 75624   | 105588   | 85238                     | 64355     | 63203     |
| loss  | 2295 (-) (-) (-) (-) |         | (-)      |                           |           |           |
| Expenses (income) income tax  | 2300                 | 12496   | 19050    | 15290                     | 12734     | 13326     |
| Net financial result:   | KHT                  | E KAU   | ITE K    | NUTE                      | KND.      | (E) VI    |
| profit  | 2350                 | 63128   | 86538    | 69948                     | 51621     | 49877     |
| loss  | 2355                 | (-)     | (-)      | (-)                       | (-)       | (-)       |

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# Appendix G

# Structure of selling activities of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"

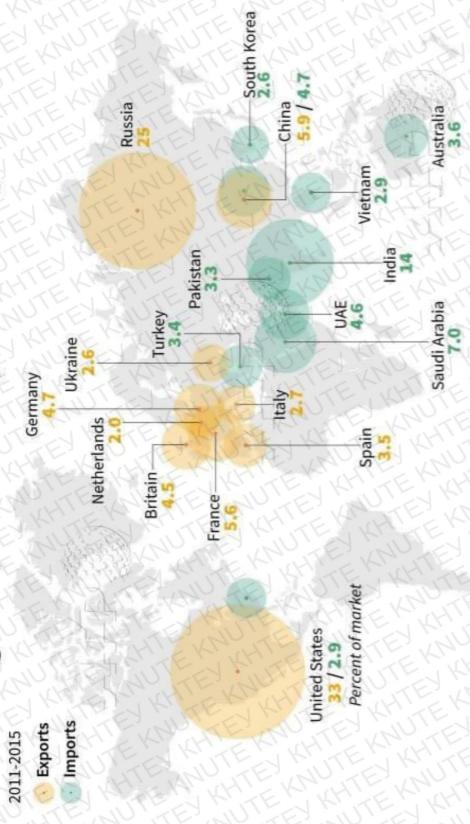
| № of export<br>contracts<br>signed | Country-<br>recepient | Type of weapon delivered  |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 66                                 | KHITEN                | Spare parts for torpedo equipment                               |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | KNUTE                 | Spare parts for marine equipment                                |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | EXAN                  | Aviation parts  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | India                 | Spare parts for air defense systems                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | TEKN                  | Repair services for aircraft, components                        |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | NUTER                 | Special equipment   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | NUTE                  | Sleeve  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EXAUTE                             | Algeria               | Aviation spare parts  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Services in repair of aviation equipment, units                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 M                               |                       | Spare parts for radios  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Design documentation  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Aviation units  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KACHTE                             | China                 | Development of pumps  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TE 4 KH                            |                       | Development and supply of documentation of the modeling complex |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Engineering services  |  |  |  |  |  |
| UTEEY                              |                       | Research works  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4                                  | Korea                 | Technical documentation   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    | Turkey                | Engines   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Completing to anti-tank modules                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Managed weapons   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                    |                       | Active protection complexes                                     |  |  |  |  |  |

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| KN TE KN |                      | Anti-tank missile systems                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------|----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 3        | Saudi<br>Arabia      | UAV   |  |  |  |  |  |
|          | A LE A               | Ammunition                                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 Pola   | Deland               | Services in repair of aviation equipment, units |  |  |  |  |  |
|          | Polalid              | Warmate products                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| KH       | UAE                  | Supply of rotating circles for BT               |  |  |  |  |  |
| 200      | UAE                  | UAV Complex                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| E .      | Vietnam              | Modernization of aviation                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 Vie    | v letham             | Service station                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|          | Czech                | Aviation spare parts                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|          | Republic             | Services in repair of aviation equipment, units |  |  |  |  |  |
| J K      | Equatorial<br>Guinea | Spare parts for airplanes and helicopters       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1        | Romania              | Spare parts for radar                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| TT V     | Belarus              | AOC products                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 E      | Myanmar              | Overhaul services for missle-gun system         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 41-6     | Israel               | Development of units                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| MA       | Azerbaijan           | Services for revision of air defense systems    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1        | Indonesia            | Ammunition                                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| EL       | Kazakhstan           | Repo repair                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| TEX      | Gana                 | Services in repair of aviation equipment, units |  |  |  |  |  |

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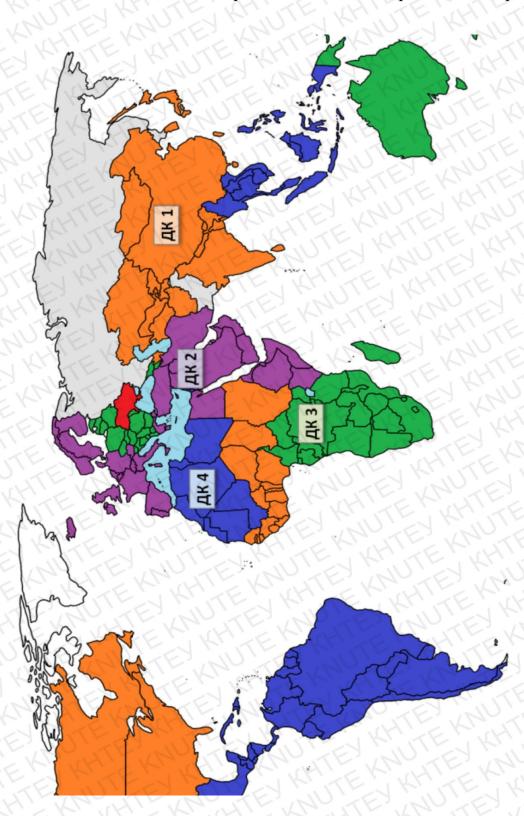


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Distribution of markets between departments of SFTE "SpetsTechnoExport"