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The language of symbols and gestures in the criminal world

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Anyone who lies in the language of words gives himself in sign language, for which he pays no attention.

(Oswald Spengler)

In the modern world, there are about 6000 living languages. In fact, it is no wonder! After all, the language is the main means of communication. With knowledge of the language, we are free to express their thoughts.

This scientific work is devoted to specific types of non-verbal communication, namely, the means of communication criminals are gestures, body movements, as well as tattoos that are very common in the criminal world.

First of all, talking about the importance of gestures to explore the features of the person, it should be emphasized that each person has a certain amount of intellectual, emotional and physical postures. That knowledge of these features, means of nonverbal communication helps employees in the investigation of crimes.

Perhaps it would be appropriate to begin with body language convicted. It should be noted that the sign language convicted is very specific; it is distinguished by some peculiarities inherent to the subculture of the underworld.

In the area of criminals there in 1015 gestures that drove ordinary words. The scientists conducting research on this perspective referred gestures, specific to criminals, to the phenomenon which is pulling together the thieves' (criminal) speech with a primitive way of communication - to a sign language.

Drawing attention to the emotional aspect of the problem, we can make sure that emotions offender occupy a special place, they characterize a person's attitude to the fact that he is in isolation from the society, which is why the external emotion criminals appear in bright, expressive movements, gestures, facial expressions and various gestures made in their society. It is worth noting that one of the researchers of this problem, Allan Pease, pointed out that there is a direct relationship between social status, power, prestige, the man and his vocabulary, and that research on nonverbal communication revealed the relationship between the eloquence of man and the degree of gesticulation that he uses to transmit his messages[1].

Communication of people in the criminal world is characterized mainly by gestures. The psychological analysis shows that each of our actions is unconscious transition from one automatically fixed situation to another regardless of whether or not it is random. Each movement can include some poses, and each pose, in turn, is followed by several gestures. The judgment that our movements are arbitrary is an illusion. In fact, they are automatic, as well as our thoughts and feelings. Thus, one can say that the words can lie, and the human body is no.

A very striking example of it is the smile of the criminal, squeezing hands in a fist. It can say only that the condemned tries to mislead us, having put on a kindness mask, however the mask doesn't close everything the person, and the true essence remains noticeable.

Working with criminals it is necessary to consider features of their character which can be shown in various gestures and poses. Quite often in the course of conversation the criminal

speaks to us gestures about what he didn't want to tell. So, for example, the criminal can press a forefinger to the squeezed lips, thereby without giving the chance to leave to words. At those who consciously suppress gestures, the hand is raised only against some centimeters, and then falls back.

For a long time in the criminal sphere has one secret gesture, warning his interlocutor about that, to tell a secret meaning, which is not to be understood by a third party: the offender shows the palm of his right hand, then turns it upside down, crosses two fingers, and finally It strikes several times the index finger on the average, so that the gesture was evident only to those who addressed the gesture.

If, however, when discussing the specific situation of the perpetrators chatty, and the other is silent, then you should pay attention to who is the initiator of gestures. If the speaker copies gestures of "Silent", there is no doubt that a leader is someone who is silent.

In the criminal world, there are also so-called "mirror gestures," they are talking about the structure of the relations of the interlocutors, their understanding and identity with respect to the current situation. For example, in the discussion of any matter, one of the interlocutors put his hands behind his head, the second repeat after him, on the condition that their views are the same[2] Thus, in a conversation with a group of criminals is necessary to identify the initiator of gestures. This will help in determining the hierarchy of criminals, to identify "thief in law", as well as his sixes.

Analyzing all the above, we can say that knowledge of criminal gestures is much important factor contributing to the investigation of crimes. Because non-verbal gestures are performed automatically, regardless of the fact, which the criminals are never told the truth. And the main task of law enforcement is to solve crimes.

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