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Since the very outbreak of the pandemic we are constantly confronted with the question of civil protection involvement during the COVID-19 pandemic. Right at the beginning it must be emphasized that civil protection is not an institution or body. It is the system of tasks and measures aimed at life, health and property protection. They are based on analysis of possible hazards and taking

measures to reduce risks of danger, as well as determination of procedures and operations when eliminating consequences of emergencies. The Act on civil protection in the article 2 par. 2 stipulates that civil protection mission is to protect life, health and property and create conditions for survival during emergencies and declared emergency situation to the extent set by the mentioned act. Civil protection is permanently active. Since the primary information on possible threat of introduction of the COVID-19 to the territory of Slovakia, tasks and measures of civil protection have been executed immediately – provision of notification and information services in particular was concerned by means of which exchange of information on the topical situation in the neighbouring countries was underway and later, in cooperation with other departments, on managing returns of repatriates from preparation of their return to their placement in the relevant quarantine facility...
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The article deals with the issues of nuclear armament and nuclear disarmament in detail. Big attention is paid to the American-Russian relations in the field of nuclear weapons and nuclear disarmament. Special attention is aimed at the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons from the mid of 2017 and the following the Nobel Peace Prize Award to ICAN. The fundamental event is this year October 50th ratification of the stated international treaty. Entry of the international treaty into full international force will have principal influence not only on the American-Russian nuclear but also on wider security relations. It is estimated that the entry of the international treaty into force shall influence the security situation in the whole world. In the article the mild optimism is expressed as far as nuclear disarmament is concerned from the point of view of the new American President Joe Biden. He, as it is known, was the Vice-President in the Administration of Barack H. Obama. The American President Obama presented the world without nuclear weapons in his public speech in Prague in April 2009 and he highlighted the responsibility of the United States of America in this field of security... Read more on pages 11 – 13.



Miracles of nature that get our brain started. Autumn is in full swing and it will soon pass its sceptre to winter. Days will be shorter and we will enjoy the comfort at the warm hearth of our homes. Nobody will be surprised if we touch some boost. Nature is really generous to us and offers a wealth that will return to us mental comfort, concentrated mind and it will stall arrival of tiredness in particular. Some miracles of nature will literally get our organism started, stimulate our body and also our mind. We will give some information on them in the first part of the article in this issue of Civil Protection journal. Read more on pages 44 – 45.

