**UNIT 3** ***ON … DUTY***

USEFUL VOCABULARY

Assault=attack an area, building etc in order to take control of it

Barracks = enclosed area or building where soldiers live

Claim (responsibility)= say you are responsible for sth

( to) Commit= to do sth wrong or illegal

(to) Convict= to decide officially in a law court that sb is guilty of a crime

Culminate = reach a climax, or the end; the higher point of development

Evacuate = exit from; leave building / area to a safer place

Former = previous, of an earlier time

Intelligence = secret information about other countries

interior minister = minister for domestic affairs

investigation = official examination about a crime

to merit= to deserve

to obtain= to get, to acquire

offence = illegal act

outskirts = areas in the outer parts of a town or a city

petty = of little importance; trivial

to praise = to express admiration

state prosecutor= lawyer who acts for the state against sb accused of a crime in court

proximity = nearness (in space, time, relationship)

puncture = (make ) a small hole in sth (from which air escapes)

Radicalism =Belief that there must be extreme social or political change

Release = set free

riot police =Officers trained to confront crowds, protests or riots

sangfroid = ability to remain calm in a difficult or dangerous situation

siege= 1. surround a place to force people to come out 2. encircle in order to arrest or make surrender

solitary confinement = punishment in which a prisoner is kept alone in a separate cell

squad = small group of soldiers

storm = to suddenly attack a place

surveillance = careful watching of a person or place to prevent a crime

swap = exchange

watchlist = list of people whose activity is monitored to check they are not doing sth illegal

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