UNIT 3

Gendarme=(France) police officer belonging to a military force

To exchange = to give one thing and receive another in its place

Hostage = person held as security for the fulfillment of a condition

Siege = surrounding of a place by armed forces to defeat those defending it (πολιορκία)

Swap = exchange

To praise = to express admiration / approval

Assault = sudden violent attack

In solitary confinement = in isolation (σε απομόνωση)

To convict = to decide (in a court of law) somebody is guilty

To culminate in = to reach / achieve (result/higher point) after gradual development

Petty crimes = small, not serious crimes

Under surveillance = carefully watched because expected to do sth.

Radicalism = extreme political views (supporting deep social/political change)

Proximity = nearness

To obtain = to get

Outskirts = suburbs, area outside/around a city

Prosecutor = legal representative accusing sb of committing crime in a law of court

Barracks = building where soldiers live

Riot police squad = police officers trained and equipped to confront crowds

To attempt = to try

To evacuate = to empty a dangerous place of the people who live there.