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**INTERACTION OF SOCIETY AND THE STATE**  
**IN PHILOSOPHICAL PAPERS BY ARISTOTLE**

Aristotle's views on the issue of interaction between the state and society, in particular his idea that a family is an ancestor of the state with the aim of extrapolation of interaction dialogue in the family to the modern realities of interaction of society and the state, have been considered. The author examines the types of behaviour «i wish» and «i must» and substantiates the possibilities of established relations of a certain subordination and hierarchy between them. The author shifts this model to the current state of interaction in Ukraine, and we currently observe coexistence and contradictory interactions two different models of value orientations and political culture at the level of political consciousness, everyday behaviour and political action in the state. The first of these is based on traditionalism and patriarchal principles, i.e., «parents». The second results from the priority of an individualistic model of values and political culture, i.e., «children». Considering the problem of forming the maturity of society, whereof indicator is the state of civil society, the author analyses the evolution of social changes. Changes begin locally. Even global changes begin small. Whether our society becomes civil, depends on whether we can unite in something larger, build a community and create a new society wherein each person has a sense of purpose. The author comes to a conclusion that the greater good for the state is a result of social unity based on friendly relations between members of a community and residents. Aristotle noted that the century-long human values verified by more than one generation have been the main platform which is a basis for the harmony, and hence social cohesion and state power.

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