

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES Charles University

Report on the part of the final state examination **Record of the thesis defence**

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Student's name and surname:	Yashar Isgandarov	
Student's ID:	45871285	
Type of the study programme:	Bachelor's	
Study programme:	Social Sciences	
Study ID:	715329	
Title of the thesis:	Comparative Analysis of Media and Free Speech PolicyFormulation in Semi-Democratic Contexts: A Case Study of Georgia and Moldova	
Thesis department:	Department of Public and Social Policy (23-KVSP)	
Language of the thesis:	English	
Language of defence:	English	
Advisor:	Mirna Jusić, M.A., Ph.D.	
Reviewer(s):	doc. PhDr. Pavol Frič, Ph.D.	
Date of defence:	11.09.2024 Venue of defence: Praha	
Attempt:	regular	
Course of the examination:	regular Comparative Analysis of Media and Freedom of Expression Policy Formulation in Semi-Democratic Contexts: A Case Study of Georgia and Moldova The chairman of the committee started the examination. The student then had 10 minutes to present his thesis. The supervisor's evaluation was read out, highlighting that the conclusions, although generally in line with the research questions, could be more directly in line with the aims of the thesis. Also, the findings were mainly about implementation, which was somewhat inconsistent with the theoretical framework. This was followed by the opponent's review, according to which the thesis provides credible insights into a range of factors that shape public policy on media, access to information and freedom of expression. The student then responded to the supervisor's questions about how the MSF had been applied and how it related to the research questions and objectives. The student explained that the core of his thesis was the comparison of policy development and implementation in the two countries under study and acknowledged that the potential of the MSF had not been fully realised. The committee members then asked various questions, which the student answered satisfactorily. The committee discussed the assessment. It was agreed that the student has an understanding of the issues	

	researched and although the thesis has some limitations, he was able to defend his work. The grade B was agreed.	
Result of defence:	excellent (B)	
Chair of the board:	Hájek Martin, doc. Mgr., Ph.D. (present)	
Committee members:	Kotherová Zuzana, Ing., Ph.D. (present)	
	Remr Jiří, Mgr., Ph.D. (present)	