



Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, definition of objectives	10	3
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	30	20
	Methodology, analysis, argument	40	30
<i>Total</i>		80	53
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	10
	Style	5	3
	Formal requirements	5	4
<i>Total</i>		20	17
TOTAL		100	70



Evaluation

- Major criteria:** The topic of the work is very recent although related to the times of cold war. Relatively low grading is based on the several concrete arguments. Research question is very purely defined and consequently purely answered only in the last chapter (Conclusion). Literature Review is too short and not adequately developed, although the list of used sources is really impressive. Definition of Hybrid Warfare (certain) is only on the page 62, although there is specific charter devoted to it (3.1) and author is mixing several other terms related to the topic without proper explanation their relations (e.g. irregular, asymmetric, guerilla, fourth generation, linear, non-linear conflict/warfare). Two important persons, Hoffman and Gerasimov, and their ideas are many times mentioned without any concrete original source of these authors.
- Minor criteria:** There are identified some minor formal deficiencies, e.g. the form of footnotes, using of "I" form.
- Assessment of plagiarism:** From the perspective of plagiarism there are no comments – work is relatively well sources, quotations are correct, similarity relatively less, what shows the originality of the work.
- Overall evaluation:** Generally, the work is good historical introduction to the topic of Stay-Behind networks in the selected countries including discussion certain controversies related to it (especially in Italy). Relatively lower final grading is due to the above-mentioned deficiencies especially related to major criteria.



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Suggested grade: Satisfactory upper / D1 (70 points)

Signature:

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