Abstrakt (anglický jazyk)

The purpose of this thesis is to clarify the activities of United Nations' peacekeep-ing operations and thus provide an answer to the question of how and with what results they contribute to providing international peace and security. The work deals with peace-keeping operations appointed under UN Security Council resolutions. I chose this topic because of the great importance of peacekeeping operations status within UN activities and because of the interest in clarifying the role of their impact on world peace and security.

This thesis is composed of five chapters. The first one deals with the role of the United Nations and its position within the international peace and security. The second chapter focuses on the definition of basic terminology that most often occurs in relation to the characteristics of UN peacekeeping operations and distinguishes them from each other. The third chapter defines their types and provides the role of peacekeeping operations by showing the essential characteristics of their development, mandate, and working princi-ples. The fourth chapter presents the issue of formation of the peacekeeping operation start-ing with the process of its establishment, continuing with the law applicable to the opera-tion, ending with its financing. The fifth chapter concentrates on the analysis of specific peacekeeping operations to help create a clearer concept of its activity, functions and meth-ods of implementation of the mandate.

Conclusions are drawn in the last part of the work. After comprehensive theoretical analysis of the UN peacekeeping operations in the previous four chapters, the last part provides a practical view of UN peacekeeping operations and the opportunity to evaluate their activities and subsequent evaluation of the role of these operations in the maintenance of international peace.