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Common Foreign and Security Policy

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Konkrétní připomínky a dotazy k práci:

The topic of the thesis is very interesting and challenging as the shift of the concept of Westphalian sovereignty in relation to the European integration process is often discussed. The author have selected a topic of the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), a field with dynamic development, especially in last 15 years. However, although the author selected a good methodological approach to the research, to deal with the topic is a very ambitious goal and she did not face the challenge at all. On the other hand, there is a significant shift in the quality of the thesis from her first attempt. Unfortunatelly, although majority of factual mistakes were corrected, there still remained some, e.g. that the Lisbon Treaty gave more power to "the European Council and the Council of Ministers" (by the way, this is an old term of the institution, the actual offical name is the "Council of the European Union") as it gave more power especially to the European Parliament as vox populi of the European citiziens. I would also argue very much with the argument that Germany and France are running the decision making process of the Union, but this is undoubtedly for a longer debate and we will definatelly get to it during the defence. Futhermore, there still remains a number of language and stylistic mistakes. Generally speaking, there still might have been a better interconection between the chapters.

To sum it up, despite the objections mentioned above I do recommend the thesis for a defence and, based on the quality of defence, I suggest to evaluate it as "very good".

Questions for the defence: 1) How would you argue your statement that Germany and France are running the decision making process of the EU? 2) What do you think about the development of EU CSFP in future?

Závěr: Diplomovou práci doporučují k obhajobě.

Navrhovaná výsledná klasifikace práce: 2

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