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Konkrétní připomínky a dotazy k práci:

The reviewed thesis is an ambitious piece of work which combines a theoretical analysis of the concept of "Westphalian sovereignty" with the analysis of the practice of the EU's CFSP. The approach places a heavy burden on the author, since it requires a deep, inter-disciplinary knowledge of the concept of sovereignty, and a broad, practical and historical overview of the reality of EU politics, or its security and defence policies in particular. Despite the author's effort, the thesis is still less than perfect.

In general, the text shows the author's broad orientation in the topic; however, it lacks depth, precision, and coherence.

From the structure and conclusions, it is not clear enough how the author evaluates sovereignty and what is her overall assessment of the transformation of sovereignty within the CFSP. After presenting some basic theoretical approaches to the concept of sovereignty, the author proposes some evaluation criteria, but it is not evident how they are derived from the previous chapters (1.1. and 1.2.), if they are applied in chapter 2, and how they are applied in chapter 3 and the case study. The use of the criteria should have been more explicit in chapters 2, 3, the case study and the conclusion.

The thesis is based on a relatively broad range of sources. However, some crucial sources are lacking, quotation is not dense enough (especially in the theoretical part) and coherent (often, the author mentions someone without quoting).

In addition, the author's style is heavy – the text is hard to read. It includes numerous grammar and spelling mistakes. The author tends to repeat herself (whole sentences or paragraphs, word by word).

On the other hand, the thesis is clearly better than the first attempt. Therefore, it can be recommended for defence with a suggested grading "good".

Questions for defence: 1/ Do you think that the EU is one of the "products" of globalization? In what sense? 2/ Can the EU be considered "sovereign" in international relations? Why? Why not?

Závěr: Diplomovou práci **doporučuji k obhajobě.**

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