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

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Student's name and surname: Emilia Maria Söderholm
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Type of the study programme: Master's (post-Bachelor)
Study programme: Journalism, Media and Globalisation
Study ID: 763888

Title of the thesis: One year with the Foreign Espionage Act: Implications to the freedom of press in Sweden
Thesis department: Department of Journalism (23-KZ)
Language of the thesis: English
Language of defence: English
Advisor: Mgr. Barbora Součková
Reviewer(s): doc. PhDr. Alice Němcová Tejkalová, Ph.D.
Date of defence: 18.09.2024 **Venue of defence:** Praha
Attempt: regular

Course of the examination: Emilia Söderholm presented her thesis topic; she explained the theoretical background (including the connection between journalism and democracy, press and media freedom, and self-censorship), methodology and results of her analysis. Then, the reviews were presented. Barbora Součková, as a supervisor, appreciated the originality of the thesis topic, the methodology and the very interesting results; she also appreciated Emilias's critical reflection on the results. The only objections were connected to the theoretical background, which could be more robust. She proposed the grade between A/B. Alice Němcová Tejkalová, as an opponent, mentioned that the text is smooth and very well prepared. Her main objections were connected to sampling; she would use randomized sampling and disagreed with not including the gendered aspect of this research. She also mentioned that she disliked the structure of the discussion. She proposed B. Emilia Söderholm then reflected on all of the objections and answered the questions.

Result of defence: excellent (A)

Chair of the board: Němcová Tejkalová Alice, doc. PhDr., Ph.D.
(present)

Committee members: Géla František, Mgr. (present)
Turková Kateřina, Mgr. Ing., Ph.D. (present)