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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: Anna Tunkova
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Type of the study programme: Master's (post-Bachelor)
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Title of the thesis: Echoes of history: Reflection of the socialist past regarding the 2023 presidential elections in selected Czech media
Thesis department: Department of Journalism (23-KZ)
Language of the thesis: English
Language of defence: English
Advisor: PhDr. Michal Dimitrov, Ph.D.
Reviewer(s): doc. PhDr. Alice Němcová Tejkalová, Ph.D.
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Attempt: regular

Course of the examination: Anna Tunkova presented her thesis Echoes of history: Reflection of the socialist past regarding the 2023 presidential elections in selected Czech media. She first outlined the theoretical background, chosen methodology and research design. Then, she presented the results and key findings of the quantitative and qualitative parts. She also mentioned discussion and limits. Michal Dimitrov, as a supervisor, read his review. He appreciated the topic and the qualitative part of the project. According to him, the critical evaluation could be more profound, and the quality of argumentation and soundness of empirical research also had some weaknesses; it is not persuasive. Then, he mentioned that the data do not appropriately support some findings. He also had some objections to the methodological settings. Alice Němcová Tejkalová, as an opponent, presented her review. She appreciated the chosen topic. Nevertheless, she had some objections - e.g. why was the agenda-setting concept for the theory chosen? According to the methodology, ANT mentioned that AT did not conduct CA, but she just counted the articles (plus, the graphs are from Newton). Sometimes, there are some speculations in the text. On the other hand, she appreciated the qualitative part but objected to unclear sources and article collections. ANT also mentioned that there is a problem with the Turnitin antiplagiarism check (part of the text of Waschková Císařová) that needs to be explained. Anna Tunková then responded to the questions. The commission then discussed improper referencing.

Result of defence: very good (D)

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

Committee members: Lábová Sandra, Mgr., Ph.D. (present)
Turková Kateřina, Mgr. Ing., Ph.D. (present)