

Abstract

The B.A. thesis „United States and Israel: A Special Relationship?, U.S. Foreign Policy Towards Israel in 1956-73“ analyses the development of U.S.-Israeli relationship on the background of the regional development in the Middle East in 1956-73. The thesis focuses mainly on the American-Israeli military cooperation, more particularly on the American arms supply to Israel. It analyses the emergence, development and the intensity of the special relationship between Washington and Jerusalem through the key events of the Arab-Israeli conflict, such as the Suez Crisis, the Six Day War and the Jomkippur War, and other regional crisis in the Middle East.

The relationship had a crucial significance for the United States. It helped to stabilize the region, to prevent further soviet influence in this area and thus protect American geostrategic interests.