

Abstract

Main theme of submitted thesis is the analysis of the impact of terroristic attacks 9/11 on the foreign policy of the United Kingdom. The impact is evaluated in three fields. The first one is the „special relationship“ with the United States and how it changed with the accession of the president George W. Bush and followinf „war on terror“. The second area of focus is the relationship of the UK with the rest of continental Europe. The last one is the so called ethical dimension of New Labour’s foreign policy and the intervencionism.

The events of 9/11 testified the importance of foreign policy even for the Great Britain, in that time embodied in the figure of prime minister Tony Blair. Tony Blair is certainly one of the most influential politics in British history since Second World War. His worldviews and ideas shaped the direction of British foreign policy.

Blair lived with notion of his country serving as an imaginary bridge connecting both the Europe and the USA. However the later geopolitical development prove this idea unreal. The main reason was the Iraq. The invasion also showed that the special relationship between the UK and the USA does not exist anymore and that Britain has to search for a new place in the post-cold war world.