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The article represents itself the review on “The Safety of Europe” scientific studies of the Institute of Europe of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

The reviewer point out the informal content of this material. All of the main and the most important historical events of the Soviet, post-Soviet and some previous periods are examined by the author’s group. So the reviewer considers the result of this work to be «The “Chronicle” of the New “Vague Time”». According to the reviewer’s opinion, the interest to material of this work is widely spread not only now-a-days, but also in the future project transformation of Russia’s policy and its view to its own historical fate. And not only in the light of the fundamental science, but in applied meaning as well.

While criticizing some methodological positions of the book’s authors («including Russia into Europe», for example), the reviewer pays his attention to the civilizational character of the contradictions between Russian and the Western world. He also stresses out the need for the Russia’s spread towards the position of “turning back to the West”.

Key words: Europe, the USA, West, Russia, safety, globalism, globalization, Soviet period, post-Soviet period.

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Russia's accession to the WTO: the real impact

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A. Gusev

The article considers the problems, which Russia might face after the entry into the World Trade Organization (WTO). And one of the obvious advantages of accession to the WTO is political.

However, one should not expect short-term gains from joining the WTO, there will none in the long run as well, because consumers win only from the increased transparency of the market, higher competition and goods quality, which would be not obvious at the initial stage after the country's accession to the WTO.

Key words: The Russian Federation, the World Trade Organization (WTO), tariffs, duties.

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Expression of potential conflicts during the election period

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I. Baikhanov

During the elections the social system undergoes a qualitative change. The sense (meaning) is added in the structure-forming elements. This state unavoidably increases the degree of conflicts in the society. Therefore, one of the key tasks for election organizers is the development of political technologies that reduce the potential for conflicts.

Key words: conflict, elections, self-reference, the electoral system, panachage.

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Legal basis, security and control of executive departments in the zone counter-terrorist operation

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U. Grigorov

The article investigates the issues of legal registration of law-enforcement bodies and special services in the area of counter-terrorist operations. General description of the approaches to the delineation of the concepts of “legal basis”, “legal security” and “regulation” are highlighted.

Key words: law basis, legal support, legal regulation, law-enforcement authorities, special services, counter-terrorism operation region, legal regimes, fight against terrorism.

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The battle for Syria

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U. Sharipov

The article is devoted to the tragic political situation in Syria observed in the last two years.

Key words: Syria, war between the government and armed opposition, counteraction among world powers.

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The small states and geopolitics

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B. Chidzhiev

The article highlights the role of the small countries in regional geopolitics. The author gives the characteristic of the safety strategy of the European small states during the interwar, bipolar and post-bipolar periods of the international relations.

Key words: the small states, regional geopolitics, safety.

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The Azerbaijan’s foreign affairs

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I. Ibragimov

The article considers the factors that have influenced Azerbaijan’s foreign policy in the modern conditions, some issues of Azerbaijan’s participation in international organizations, as well as the status of its relations with the neighboring states and leading geopolitical actors involved in the regional processes in the South Caucasus.

Key words: Azerbaijan, Nagorno-Karabakh, Aliiev, Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan, Gabala Radar Station, Iranian nuclear program, NATO, Partnership for Peace.

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Cybercrime and protection of the information

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A. Kukharkin

International experience to struggle cybercrime shows a sharp activation of illegitimate activities in cyberspace during last years. This threatens a process of the public health services information, the urgency of which is conditioned by a possibility to improve the quality of health service for the population. But deep computerization of the medical establishments raises the threat of malicious intrusion into the databases, which is inadmissible due to danger of “medical secrecy” disclosure.

Key words: cybercrime, necessity for information protection, computerization of health service.

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Events and People

The history of the Soviet Union

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A. Isakov

Basing on the documentary evidence the author examines the situation in Russia after the Civil War, the main results of socialism formation in the Soviet Union in the 20's - 30's and also highlights the price of the Victory in the Great Patriotic War, the activities of the Soviet Union as the leader of the socialist community.

Key words: revolution, industrialization, collectivization, the opposition, repression, war, collapse.

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The Volunteer Army and Cossack “Southeastern Union”: the different ways of the Russian statehood restoration 118

S. Karpenko

The article analyses the relations between the Volunteer army and Cossack “Southeastern Union” in the end of 1917. The main attention is drawn to the attempts of the command of the Volunteer army to base in the Don and Kuban Cossack oblasts and to transform them into the all-Russian center of rallying the Anti-Bolshevik forces. It makes a conclusion that Cossack “Southeastern Union” was not able to become reliable basis of formation for the Voluntary army and the center of the restoration of the Russian statehood.

Key words: Russian Civil War, Volunteer Army, Don Cossacks, Kuban Cossacks, “Southeastern Union”, M. V. Alexeev, A. M. Kaledin, L. G. Kornilov.

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