

Annotation

The thesis covers a transition of the Czechoslovak Television from state-owned television to public service institution during the media's tough times from the fall of Communist Regime in November 1989 until the end of 1992. To complete understanding it notices the creation of Czechoslovak Television as well as outlining functions of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia in times of its evolution. The thesis trails connection between Czechoslovak political evolution and social evolution and Czechoslovak Television in totalitarian times. The main attention is devoted to communist secret agents functions in society and companies, Lists of StB (State Secret Security, secret communist police) secret cooperators as well as Cibulka's unverified Lists of StB secret cooperators. There is also media's view adding to their illegal leak out from the Czechoslovak Parliament. It escalates with sports commentators Ivan Ninaj's departure from Czechoslovak Television in 1991 and Jan Lacko's departure from Czechoslovak Television during the ice-hockey world championship in 1992 – both were departed because of their affirmative vetting (document proving cooperation with State Secret Security). In the end, the thesis analyzes Lacko's and Ninaj's accessible archival files.

Keywords

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Title

The departure of sports commentators from Czechoslovakia Television Department after Lists of StB cooperators were published