

## REPORT ON THE MASTER THESIS

GPS – Geopolitical Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

<b>Title of the thesis:</b>	<b>The effect of climate change on security – an analysis of Burkina Faso and Djibouti</b>
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<b>Referee (incl. titles):</b>	<b>Mgr. Bohumil Doboš, Ph.D.</b>

**Comments of the referee on the thesis highlights and shortcomings (following the five numbered aspects of your assessment indicated below).**

### 1) Theoretical background:

Theoretical background of the work is rooted in the approaches towards state security and impact of climate change on the internal stability of states. Different approaches are presented and consequently tested in the text. The theoretical background is thus sufficient if rather shattered given the structure of the work that divides it into several disconnected chapters.

### 2) Contribution:

The topic is very relevant and understudied. While the issue of impact of climate change is often discussed, it lacks empirical studies like the one presented. Contribution of the thesis is thus high. It, however, might have been stronger in case the analysis and interpretation of the results was given more space in the thesis.

### 3) Methods:

Mixed-method approach is relevant and well applied.

### 4) Literature:

Literature seems appropriate.

### 5) Manuscript form:

Text is generally well written. There are several minor formal and language issues that do not hinder the readability of the text. Appendix 2 is not connected to the specific place in the text.

*Box for the thesis supervisor only.*

### Suggested questions for the defence are:

- What is your prediction regarding the short and mid-term impact of climate change on the selected cases?

**I recommend the thesis for final defence.**

### **SUMMARY OF POINTS AWARDED** (for details, see below):

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
<i>Theoretical background (max. 20 points)</i>	19
<i>Contribution (max. 20 points)</i>	18
<i>Methods (max. 20 points)</i>	20
<i>Literature (max. 20 points)</i>	20
<i>Manuscript form (max. 20 points)</i>	16
<b>TOTAL POINTS (max. 100 points)</b>	<b>93</b>
<b>The proposed grade (A-B-C-D-E-F)</b>	<b>A</b>

**DATE OF EVALUATION: 19. 1. 2021**

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**Referee Signature**

*Overall grading scheme at FSV UK:*

TOTAL POINTS	GRADE	Quality standard
91 – 100	<b>A</b>	= outstanding (high honour)
81 – 90	<b>B</b>	= superior (honour)
71 – 80	<b>C</b>	= good
61 – 70	<b>D</b>	= satisfactory
51 – 60	<b>E</b>	= low pass at a margin of failure
0 – 50	<b>F</b>	= failing. The thesis is not recommended for defence.