Report on the master thesis "Oil and Gas Pipelines of the Republic of Kazakhstan" by Saltanat Auyesbayeva.

As an advisor of this thesis I was consulted frequently about this work.

A result of Auyesbuyeva effort is a work based on sufficient knowledge of primary sources and literature. Her obvious advantage is her language ability, so she is not dependent only mostly on English language literature sources.

Structure of thesis is the best part of the thesis. She is therefore able to cover all problems, from a perspective of Kazakhs politics as well as Kazakhs foreign relations.

The only main problem I have got with this thesis is sometime to "journalistic" style of argumentations and a bit luck of academic comments based on citations of relevant sources.

Because of this I suggest the grade very good for this thesis, which fullfills the criteria for master thesis.

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