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Report on the part of the master state examination Record of the thesis defence

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Type of the study programme: Master's (post-Bachelor)
Study programme: Geopolitical Studies
Branch of study: Geopolitical Studies
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Title of the thesis: No Safe Harbour: Is economic reliance on the People's Republic of China sinking regional foreign policy independence?

Thesis department: Department of Political Science (23-KP)

Language of the thesis: English

Language of defence: English

Advisor: PhDr. Michael Romancov, Ph.D.

Reviewer(s): Mgr. Bohumil Doboš, Ph.D.

Date of defence: 13.09.2021 **Venue of defence:** Praha

Attempt: regular

Course of defence: Also present: Chen Yuan Wang, Marc Cheng (NTU)
[MSTeams Online] The student presented a summary of his thesis defense according to the following structure: introduction, the pertinence of research, research questions, methodology and case study selection.
UK Committee: summarizes the reviews of both advisor and opponent, highlighting the topic and case selection, and the amount of data processed, while suggesting the importance of the connection of the conclusion and hypothesis.
Student elaborates on the comments of the reviews to explain the shortcomings on the thesis.
Follow-up Question by Prof. Phiip Hsu: Regarding the importance of Taiwan for the student's research.
Student replies: Yes
Final remarks of Dr. Dobos to clarify the feedback regarding the structure of the thesis.

Result of defence:	excellent (B)	
Chair of the board:	Mgr. Martin Riegl, Ph.D. (present)
Committee members:	PhDr. Michael Romancov, Ph.D. (present)
	Mgr. Bohumil Doboš, Ph.D. (present)
	prof. Szue-chin Philip Hsu (present)