



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

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**Branch of study:** International Master in Security, Intelligence and Strategic Studies

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**Title of the thesis:** Understanding the current threat of bioterrorism: A study of violent non-state actors' online instruction manuals  
**Thesis department:** Department of Security Studies (23-KBS)  
**Language of the thesis:** English  
**Language of defence:** English  
**Advisor:** Luca Anceschi, Dr.  
**Reviewer(s):** Dr. Caitriona Dowd

**Date of defence:** 15.09.2021      **Venue of defence:** Praha  
**Attempt:** regular

**Course of defence:** The student convincingly introduced the dissertation. The committee asked the student to react to the critical comments mentioned in the reviews. The student appreciated the fairness of the feedback and reacted to all the key issues raised by the reviewers. At the request of the committee, the student also discussed the issue of terrorist learning. The committee also inquired into the ways in which the data has been collected and the respective ethical issues, and the student clarified the principles of data collection, stressing the importance of open access and online archives. The committee concluded the defence.

**Result of defence:** excellent (A)

**Chair of the board:** prof. PhDr. Emil Aslan, Ph.D. (present) .....

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