



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

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**Title of the thesis:** Challenges to the Weberian state: hybrid state and non-state actors in Iraq  
**Thesis department:** Department of Security Studies (23-KBS)  
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**Advisor:** Mgr. et Mgr. Tomáš Kučera, Ph.D.  
**Reviewer(s):** Mgr. Vojtěch Bahenský

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**Attempt:** regular

**Course of defence:** The candidate introduced the thesis emphasizing the phenomenon, theoretical framework, and key arguments. The committee summarized the main objections risen by the reviewers. The candidate responded to the reviewers in particular addressing the reliance on direct quotes. The committee appreciated the defense, however, decided that the reliance on a single source and on direct citations to be limiting the thesis contribution.

**Result of defence:** very good (D)

**Chair of the board:** prof. PhDr. RNDr. Nikola Hynek, Ph.D., .....  
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