



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

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**Type of the study programme:** Master's (post-Bachelor)  
**Study programme:** International Security Studies with specialisation in Peace and Conflict Studies

**Study ID:** 752717

**Title of the thesis:** What are Unveiling Factors Shaping the Outcome of Military Interventions in the Middle East? A Comparative Analysis of Syria, Libya, and Yemen

**Thesis department:** Department of Security Studies (23-KBS)  
**Language of the thesis:** English  
**Language of defence:** English  
**Advisor:** Mgr. Jan Ludvík, Ph.D.  
**Reviewer(s):** prof. PhDr. Emil Aslan, Ph.D.  
**Date of defence:** 19.06.2024    **Venue of defence:** Praha  
**Attempt:** regular

**Course of the examination:** The student introduced the thesis, including its treatment of threats, placed the thesis in the broader literature, explained the theoretical framework based on Keohane's liberal institutionalism, and outlined the data used. The committee asked how the thesis explained the role of multilateral frameworks as opposed to the individual agency of states. The candidate argued that state agency is critical and more important than multilateral frameworks. The committee agreed that the defense was strong and that, despite some minor concerns from the second reader, the thesis was still in the upper excellent group and graded it an A.

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

**Chair of the board:** Karásek Tomáš, PhDr. JUDr., Ph.D. (present) .....

**Committee members:** Bošτίková Vanda, prof. RNDr., Ph.D. ....  
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