

The thesis deals with development of competences and influence of the General Inspection in the formative period of the Czechoslovak Army (1918-1924). First part is dedicated to the definition of the term inspection in the European military and focuses on inspectorates as central supervisory authorities. A concise historical excursion maps their presence in the European military and gives two examples – the Prussian-German and the Habsburg Army General Inspection. The second part follows development of the military inspection in the Czech Legion in Russia. There are two inspectorates dealt as to their competences, their position to military administration and their share on formation of the Czech Legion. The third main part of the thesis is about creation and development of the General Inspection in the Czechoslovakia. It focuses on development of the supreme military authorities, their relations and competences and emphasizes the Josef Scheiner's position as the Highest Administrator of The Czechoslovak Army. The following topic reveals the military-political situation, which initiated creation of the General Inspection. Josef Scheiner and then Josef Svatopluk Machar became chiefs of this institution. The conclusion of this part is dedicated to the description of its competences, position, influence on military affairs and finally to circumstances of its recession.