

The topic of the graduation thesis is border protection and the generating of the image of the extraneous enemy in Czechoslovakia between the years 1948 and 1956. The thesis emphasizes the continuity of the system of border protection with the previous development. On this account the thesis makes a survey of the development of the system of border protection in Bohemia and Czechoslovakia. The thesis describes the development of establishment of border protection authorities, the instruments of border protection, then deals with the questions of so-called border zone and forbidden zone and describes some components of everyday life of the border guards in the fifties. Second part of the thesis deals with the questions of generating of the propaganda image of the border guard and the extraneous enemies, who the border guard fought against. This image made by communist propaganda affected the inhabitants significantly and upheld the system of border protection. It formed the opinions of the inhabitants about the frontier-guard and the extraneous enemies.