Abstract

After World War II, states throughout the world strived for a more just society. In relation to this, the United States of America faced serious difficulties and riots in the 1960’s, which sometimes bordered with the state of a civil war. Inland safety was however not the only issue during this period of time, as USA engaged in the process of altering internal affairs of other countries. This was mainly the US involvement in the Vietnam War, which to this day is one of the most controversial chapters of US history. The historical position of Lyndon Johnson in both internal and international affairs, his political and personal profile, his development of opinions on key historical events bring a variety of questions to anyone who deeply studies US history of the 20th century. Both current and retrospective documents bring different views, logically influenced by the time of their origin. The main goal of this thesis is to gather the widest possible spectrum of opinions, which are however mainly inconsistent or negative towards the presidency of Lyndon Johnson, and to evaluate his political views and his crucial decisions in the light of the current world and knowledge of history we have to this day.