

**Abstract**

This thesis analyzes the activity of two daily newspapers of Yugoslavia, namely the Zagrebian *Vjesnik* and the Belgradian *Politika*, at the beginning of the year 1990, before the SFRY disintegrated. It outlines the stance that these periodicals adopted on three selected events and problems prevailing in January 1990 on the Yugoslavian political and social scene. Among them are the economic reforms started by the federation's prime minister Ante Marković, the rise of Croatian and Serbian nationalism during the assembly of the HDZ and SNO parties, and the dissolution of the Communist League of Yugoslavia at its 14th Congress. All these events are put into the context of the domestic political development of the Yugoslavian Federation.

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