

Abstract

The paper deals with analysis of the mass movement, later becoming known as Croatian Spring. It was protest movement which took place in Croatia in the sixties and seventies. The paper also analyses stances and opinions of the leading reform politicians from the League of the Communists of Croatia, such as Vladimir Bakarić, Savka Dabčević-Kučar and Miko Tripalo. The attention is also given to the interpretations of the movement.

The structure of the paper consists of short introduction of the Croatian Spring then it moves to sixties in order to explain the reform movement which even gained the approval of the Josip Broz Tito. The shift of the reforms, to those which had touch of national aspect stirred quarrels within the LCC and cause division of the LCC. Mass support across whole Croatia from the public pushed Savka Dabčević-Kučar and Miko Tripalo in decision to carry on with the reforms and demands towards Belgrade. The escalation of the situation forced Tito to finish his support and forced liberal leaders to resign from the LCC. Mass arrests and expulsions immediately took place after.