Abstract

The work deals with the Czechoslovakian desk of the Radio Free Europe from the origin of the National Committee for Free Europe until the end of the year 1952 marked by the resignation of the program director Pavel Tigrid. Radio Free Europe was founded on the base of the decision of the National Committee for a Free Europe, which according to the official version emerged as result of initiative of civic society, but on its foundation participated directly the initiative of the U.S. State department. The work addresses exclusively the Czechoslovakian department of this broadcasting station, its origin, headquarters, structure, founders, program and its reception. The work looks in a more detailed way into the competence disagreement between the first director Ferdinand Peroutka and the program director Pavel Tigrid, which lead to Tigrids resignation.