

Abstract

The topic of this thesis is “Comparison of foreign aid of USA and China with the concentration on the region of Latin America”. In the past several years, the foreign aid of People’s Republic of China has grown dramatically to the region of Latin America and Caribbean. The United States is a traditional donor and Latin America is its long-term sphere of influence. Until recently, China had been recognized more as a foreign aid receiver, not as a donor. However, since the beginning of the 21st century, China has massively increased the support of developing economies. China, as an emerging donor, is not very transparent and it is very hard to estimate its future. Chinese government treats the foreign aid data as a national secret and it releases only very comprehensive data. As states, USA and China are very different, from historical or economical point of view, both have different political regimes, or standards of living. This work aims to point out the similarities and differences between the two countries and their motivation to provide foreign aid to Latin-American countries. Through the qualitative comparison I would like to prove/disprove two hypothesis: 1) *Both countries provide foreign aid to develop the region of Latin America, however, both have different motivation – while for USA the strategic-security is the most important motivation, for China it is economy.* 2) *China does not endanger the dominance of United States in the region.*