

Abstract

This bachelor thesis is an attempt at an analysis of Czechoslovak-Cuban relations in the 1960s. Both countries underwent dynamic changes which, among other things, influenced the development of their relations. Cuba gradually started to focus on countries which belonged to the so-called Eastern Bloc after the revolutionary government consolidated its power in 1959. Czechoslovakia played an integral part in this process as an intermediary. However, during the 1960s, mutual contacts were curtailed as a result of strained relations.

The author of this thesis tries to analyse the cultural, economic and political changes between the two countries in order to discover if and how they were influenced by the more "relaxed" atmosphere in Czechoslovakia, which began to manifest itself in the late 1960s and especially in 1967 and 1968. The author also pays attention to the internal affairs of both countries because foreign policy is heavily influenced by domestic policy.