



Diploma Thesis Evaluation Form

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Title: The Causes of terrorist radicalisation among Northern Irish Catholics

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Criteria	Definition	Maximum	Points
Major Criteria			
	Research question, definition of objectives	10	10
	Theoretical/conceptual framework	30	25
	Methodology, analysis, argument	40	35
<i>Total</i>		80	70
Minor Criteria			
	Sources	10	10
	Style	5	4
	Formal requirements	5	5
<i>Total</i>		20	19
TOTAL		100	89



Evaluation

Major criteria:

The presented thesis focuses on current topic of radicalization. The work is located historically in the "Troubles" period in Northern Ireland, but the chosen framework would be used today as well. The author focuses on the method of tracking several variables, which he explores on the basis of testimony by terrorists themselves and other research. The work is framed by the theory of Radicalization Puzzle. As a certain shortcoming, I see the fact that the author is based on the definition of terrorism in the UK, which is logical to the topic. Still, I would appreciate at least a glance at the general definitions of terrorism. It is not always enough to quote at work. As a whole, however, work is undoubtedly beneficial.

Minor criteria:

These are based on well-chosen literature, although sometimes the author quotes less than he could.

Overall evaluation:

Precise work on the current topic based on a suitably chosen theory.

Suggested grade: B

Signature:

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