

Abstract

Bachelor's thesis „Franco-British relations 1967-1972: Rapprochement of France and Britain as a condition of British membership of the EEC“ deals with development of franco-british relations at the time when Britain sought to join EC and France opposed to it. Study concerns a period which starts in 1967 when Charles de Gaulle vetoed the british application for the second, and which terminate in 1972 when was successfully signed the treaty of association. During the first part of this era the realationship of these both states was worsening which was demonstrated by affair called Soames Affair. In the next part they reached an enexpected agreement and they started to callaborate. It was one of the factors which enabled EC to enlarged the first time. Text refers to historical background of the events and then it indentify a change of the relationships in the three differnt areas. First it analyzes personal changes. The most importantly it was Geroges Pompidou who became french president after de Gaulle had resigned and Edward Heath who was elected british Prime Minister. The following chapter describes french and british foreign policy and their political-strategic goal. The final passage outlines the events and processes which were going on in the rest of world and which had impact on the two states – the development of EC, relationship with the USA, the breakdown of international monetary system and FRG which were getting stronger economicaly and politicaly.