

**REVIEW**  
**of the official reviewer for dissertation work**  
**Zhaniya Abdiman Omirkhankyzy on the theme «Inaugural Address as Part of Political Discourse» presented for**  
**the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in the specialty «6D021000 – Foreign Philology».**

№	Criteria	Eligibility (one of the options must be checked)	Justification of the position of the official reviewer
1.	The topic of the thesis (as of the date of its approval) corresponds to the directions of development of science and/or state programs	<p>1.1 Compliance with priority areas of science development or government programs:</p> <p>1) The thesis was completed within the framework of a project or target program financed from the state budget (indicate the name and number of the project or program)</p> <p>2) The thesis was completed within the framework of another state program (indicate the name of the program)</p> <p>3) The dissertation corresponds to the priority direction of the development of science, approved by the Higher Scientific and Technical Commission under the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan (indicate the direction)</p>	The topic of the thesis (as of the date of its approval) corresponds to the the direction of development of science “Intellectual potential of the country”, which supports research in the field of Humanities and Social sciences. It was completed in accordance with the State Program for the Development of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan for 2020-2025 (Resolution of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated December 27, 2019 No. 988).
2.	Importance for science	The work makes/does not make a significant contribution to science, and its importance is well disclosed/not disclosed	The work makes a significant contribution to science, and its importance is quite good disclosed. The description of the theoretical and methodological basis of the thesis in the 1 <sup>st</sup> chapter “Theoretical backgrounds of the research” (pp. 15-55) and the consistent argumentation of the importance of studying the problematic field of inaugural speeches in the subsequent 3 sections

			(pp. 56-171) of thesis are pretty convincing. Undoubtedly, Zhaniya Abdiman Omirkhankyzy has made a significant contribution to Kazakh Humanities and expanded the scientific base of the Humanities and Social Sciences in general.
3.	The principle of independence	Self-reliance level: 1) High; 2) Medium; 3) Low; 4) No independence	The level of independence is assessed as quite <i>high</i> . The author of the thesis has demonstrated analytical skills, the ability to critically comprehend the previous experience of understanding the features of Inauguration Adresses, their purpose and objectives. Zhaniya Abdiman Omirkhankyzy also showed the ability to deduce new knowledge, which is quite well presented in the summary parts of each chapter (See: pp.54-55; pp. 80-81; pp. 103-104; pp.171-172) and in the Conclusion of the thesis itself (pp.173-178).
4.	The principle of inner unity	4.1 Justification of the relevance of the thesis: 1) <u>Justified</u> ; 2) Partially justified; 3) Not justified.	The relevance of the thesis is justified. It has been prepared in accordance with current trends in the development of the Humanities and Social sciences and fits seamlessly into the framework of modern discourse, in particular sociolinguistics and political

			<p>linguistics. Thus, the thesis can be positioned as an actual subject of both linguistic and socio-cultural research.</p>
		<p>4.2 The content of the thesis reflects the topic of the thesis:  1) <u>Reflects</u>;  2) Partially reflects;  3) Does not reflect</p>	<p>The content of the thesis <i>reflects</i> the topic of the thesis.  Although, the topic “Inaugural Address as a distinct genre within political discourse” seems more relevant to me.</p>
		<p>4.3. The purpose and objectives correspond to the topic of the thesis:  1) <u>correspond</u>;  2) partially correspond;  3) do not correspond</p>	<p>The purpose and objectives are aimed at revealing the chosen research topic. The seven main formulated objectives are aimed at achieving the purpose. (See pp. 8-9). It can be argued that the the goal purpose of the study – to analyze Inaugural Addresses as a distinct genre within political discourse – has been achieved.</p>
		<p>4.4 All sections and provisions of the thesis are logically interconnected:  1) <u>completely interconnected</u>;  2) the interconnection is partial;  3) there is no interconnection</p>	<p>The logical connection of all paragraphs in 4 chapters is ensured by their consistent disclosure and complementarity. All sections and provisions of the thesis are logically <i>completely interconnected</i>. The conclusions of each chapter and the final summarizing part (Pp. 173-178) of the thesis clearly reflect the logic of their author's research path.</p>

		<p>4.5 The new solutions (principles, methods) proposed by the author are reasoned and evaluated in comparison with the known solutions:</p> <p><u>1) there is a critical analysis;</u>  2) partial analysis;  3) the analysis does not represent one's own opinions, but quotes from other authors</p>	<p>The new solutions (principles, methods, recommendations) proposed by the author of the thesis are based on a critical analysis of previous researchers. The analysis presented in the thesis does not represent a rewriting of other people's opinions, but is enriched with new meanings and reflects the doctoral student's own position.</p>
5.	Scientific novelty principle	<p>5.1 Are the scientific results and provisions new?</p> <p><u>1) completely new;</u>  2) partially new (25-75% are new);  3) not new (less than 25% are new)</p>	<p>From the point of view of revealing the specifics of the inaugural addresses of heads of state of the two different countries, comparative analysis and identification of common – universal and specific – national ones the scientific results and provisions seem <i>completely new</i>.</p>
		<p>5.2 Are the dissertation findings new?</p> <p><u>1) completely new;</u>  2) partially new (25-75% are new);  3) not new (less than 25% are new)</p>	<p>The dissertation findings are <i>new</i> (See pp. 172-175). They are very significant not only for Kazakh Humanities, but also for others, primarily for post-Soviet states.</p>
		<p>5.3 Technical, technological, economic or management decisions are new and reasonable:</p> <p><u>1) completely new;</u>  <u>2) partially new (25-75% are new);</u>  3) not new (less than 25% are new)</p>	<p>Technical decisions to solve the tasks and objectives of the study are reasonable and the vast majority of technical decisions seem to be <i>completely new</i>.</p>

6.	The validity of the main findings	All main conclusions are/are not based on scientifically significant evidence or well-grounded (for qualitative research and areas of training in the arts and humanities)	According to the validity of the main conclusions, it should be emphasized that the dissertation relates to qualitative research in the field of Humanities. So, it can be stated that all main conclusions are based on scientifically significant facts and are well-reasoned.
7.	The main provisions for the defense	<p>It is necessary to answer the following questions for each provision separately:</p> <p>7.1 Is the provision proven?</p> <p>1) proven; 2) rather proven; 3) rather not proven; 4) not proven</p> <p>7.2 Is it trivial?</p> <p>1) yes; 2) no</p> <p>7.3 Is it new?</p> <p>1) yes; 2) no</p> <p>7.4 Application level:</p> <p>1) narrow; 2) medium; 3) wide</p> <p>7.5 Is it proven in the article?</p> <p>1) yes; 2) no</p>	<p>All 4 key research provisions for defense are proven.</p> <p>The decisive part of these main provisions is based on a critical understanding of previous achievements in the field of political discourse, but they cannot be regarded as trivial in any way. The summarizing part of all the provisions are new and have been convincingly proven.</p> <p>Thus, we believe that the main provisions submitted for defense are <i>proven</i>, have <i>novelty</i> and are <i>not trivial</i>, but <i>innovative</i>.</p> <p>The <i>level of application</i> is <i>wide</i>, since the findings and conclusions can be used in various fields of knowledge: political science, sociology, cultural studies, sociolinguistics, political linguistics, linguistic anthropology, etc.</p>

8.	The principle of reliability Reliability of sources and information provided	8.1 Choice of methodology – is justified or the methodology is described in sufficient detail 1) <u>yes</u> ; 2) no	The choice of methodology for revealing the topic and achieving the purpose is justified. The reliability of the sources and the information provided is beyond doubt. The sources chosen for the study are closely correlated with the topic of the thesis and their number is quite sufficient to reveal the topic of the thesis. The texts of the analyzed inaugural addresses of the presidents of two countries are given in Appendix A (Pp.188-225), Appendix B (Pp. 226-261).
		8.2 The results of the thesis were obtained using modern methods of scientific research and methods of processing and interpreting data using computer technologies: 1) <u>yes</u> ; 2) no	Yes, the results of the thesis were obtained using modern methods of scientific research and methods of processing and interpreting data using computer technologies, which are relevant to the disclosure of the topic.
		8.3 Theoretical conclusions, models, identified relationships and patterns have been proven and confirmed by experimental research (for areas of training in pedagogical sciences, the results have been proven on the basis of a pedagogical experiment): 1) <u>yes</u> ; 2) no	The theoretical conclusions, models, identified relationships and patterns have been proven and confirmed by more than a decade of experience in studying the topic (since 2014) and analytical work.
		8.4 Important statements are confirmed / partially confirmed / not confirmed by references to current and reliable scientific literature	Important statements are supported by references to modern and reliable scientific literature.
		8.5 Used literature sources are sufficient/not sufficient for a	Used literary sources seem to be

		literature review	<i>quite sufficient</i> for a literature review.
9	Practical value principle	9.1 The thesis has theoretical value: 1) <u>yes</u> ; 2) no	<p>The thesis has theoretical value. Its theoretical significance is related to its contribution to the study of the essence and characteristics of inaugural addresses as a genre of political discourse. The universal and specific features of the inaugural addresses of the presidents of the two countries in the period from 1991 to 2022, which was fatefully significant for the young independent state – the Republic of Kazakhstan, have been identified.</p> <p>The detailed presentation of the inaugural addresses as an ontologically self-sufficient object of linguistic research and the verification of the Martin Reisigl classification of the political fields of the inaugural addresses may well be extrapolated to the description of other genres of political discourse.</p>
		9.2 The thesis is of practical importance and there is a high probability of applying the results obtained in practice: 1) <u>yes</u> ; 2) no	The dissertation has practical significance. There is no doubt that the results and conclusions will be used by subsequent researchers on this topic. The analytical material is important for the development of courses on political discourse,

			rhetoric, theory and practice of intercultural communication, for practical guides and recommendations for speechwriters, press services, as well as for specialists in the field of journalism.
		9.3 Are the practice suggestions new? 1) completely new; 2) partially new (25-75% are new); 3) not new (less than 25% are new)	The practical recommendations seem to be quite <i>completely new</i> , since the topic of the presidents' inaugural speeches has been studied extremely insufficiently in the Kazakh Humanities.
10.	The quality of writing and design	Academic writing quality: 1) high; 2) average; 3) below average; 4) low.	The text of the peer-reviewed thesis shows a fairly <i>high level</i> of proficiency in the scientific style of speech of its author.
11.	Notes on a thesis	Despite the high appreciation of the academic writing of my colleague, I would like to recommend her adhere to one style guideline when designing the text of the dissertation and the List of Reference. One of the following style guides should be used : APA (American Psychological Association), MLA (Modern Language Association), or may be Chicago, etc. A large number of hyphens and dashes in the design of the List of References demonstrates some disregard for the uniform design. The important statements of thesis are supported by references to modern and reliable scientific literature, however, the author of the dissertation work did not avoid some annoying daffes in the design of the List of References (pp. 179-187. See, for example, sources numbered 32, 55).	
12.	Scientific level of the doctoral student's articles on the topic of research (in case of defense of the dissertation in the form of a series of articles, the official reviewers comment on the scientific level of each article of the doctoral student on the topic		I've read three articles: <i>Абдиман Ж.О.</i> Инаугурационная речь: структурно-композиционное своеобразие жанра (на материале инаугурационных речей Н. А. Назарбаева). Международное некоммерческое партнерство преподавателей русского языка и



	of research)		<p>литературы “МАПРЯЛ,” 2019. С. 5–10;</p> <p><i>Abdiman Z.</i> Inaugural Address of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev (1991-2015): Genre Peculiarities of Inaugural Discourse // <i>Astra Salvensis – revista de istorie si cultura.</i> 2018. Vol. VI, № 12. P. 19–34;</p> <p><i>Tuimebayev Z., Abdiman Z.</i> Inaugural address and inauguration ceremony: symbolism, rituals, and political message // <i>Philological Sciences Journal.</i> 2024. Vol. 7, № 3. P. 37–43.</p> <p>Based on these articles I have read, I can say that these publications reflect the doctoral student's research path. The logic of the presentation of the contents of these articles is closely interrelated with with the research topic and the thesis itself.</p> <p>The main provisions and results of the dissertation research, starting from September 2014, were presented and discussed at scientific and methodological seminars of PhD students, meetings of the Department of Foreign Philology and Translation Studies of Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, as well as at international and national scientific congresses</p>
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and conferences. They were published in journals recommended by the Committee for Control in the Sphere of Education and Science of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as in a foreign scientific journal.

In accordance with the amount of scientific and creative work done and the findings, conclusions and results obtained, the author of the dissertation deserves to be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in the specialty «6D021000 – Foreign Philology».

13.	Decision of the official reviewer (pursuant to paragraph 28 of the present Model Regulations)	

In reviews, official reviewers indicate one of the following solutions:

- 1) **to award the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Doctor of Specialization;**
- 2) send the thesis for revision (except for cases of thesis defense in the form of a series of articles);
- 3) refuse to award the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Doctor of Specialization.

Copies of the reviews of the official reviewers are handed over to the doctoral student no later than 5 (five) working days before the defense of the thesis.

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