Scientific consultant's Review on PhD thesis

by Faiz Zaland Mukhammad titled "Peace-building process in Afghanistan: Political power distribution and it is future" submitted to fulfil requirements for PhD degree on 8D03104- Political Science

The relevance of the research topic is due to the role that Afghanistan occupies in modern international relations. One of the important aspects of ensuring stability in Afghanistan is the peaceful transformation of the political regime and the maintenance of partnership relations with neighboring countries, which is also an urgent and priority direction of Afghanistan's foreign policy.

The complexity of unsettled domestic political situation in Afghanistan is a factor of tension and has a serious impact on the overall context of international relations. This process involves not only neighboring States, but also superpowers, as well as international organizations.

The current international situation is characterized by a high level of instability, an increase in the number of armed conflicts with a decrease in the effectiveness of international institutions in their resolution. Studying this issue will allow analyzing the alignment of political forces and increasing their role in resolving the situation in Afghanistan.

The author of the dissertation obtained representative and valuable data using sociological surveys, the method of expert assessments, which allowed the author to draw conclusions about the alignment of political forces in solving problems of maintaining order and stability in Afghanistan. Meanwhile, it is important that the author himself is an expert in this problem and an active participant in the negotiation process.

The structure of the work corresponds to the research topic and the goals and objectives set by the dissertation, the researcher has well demonstrated the ability and competence in dissertation research to conduct theoretical system analysis, conduct empirical research.

The doctoral student conducted a systematic review of the literature, the theoretical basis was substantiated, the research methodology and appropriate research methods were used. The topic of the PhD student's dissertation is revealed deeply and fully. The purpose and objectives of the work have been realized.

The PhD dissertation meets all general formal requirements, contains analytical tables, and figures that increase the visibility of the text material, as well as appendices of guides and questionnaires. The materials of the dissertation were published in the journals of the Scopus database and Kazakhstani scientific journals.

The main theoretical assumptions made in the thesis offer an insight in understanding the peace-building processes and might be utilized in Conflict Studies. The content analysis provided by the Doctorate Student in Literature review on peace-building process is a very useful assistance to the future scholars in this field.

Considering all the above, I recommended to submit a PhD thesis by Faiz Zaland Muhammad entitled "The peace-building process in Afghanistan: the distribution of political power and this future", submitted in accordance with the requirements for obtaining a PhD degree in the specialty 8D03104 - Political Science, for preliminary defense at the Department of Political Science and Political Technologies of Al-Farbi Kazakh National University. University.

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