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An abstract of dissertation „Evolution of communist apparatus of security in the Nowy Sącz County from 1945 to 1975”.

The object of dissertation is the local apparatus of security in the Nowy Sącz County between 1945-1975 (The County Office Of Public Security/The County Office for Public Security/The Office for Security/The Office for Security Service/The Departament VIII/V Nowy Sącz).

The work prepared in chronological and problematic order, consists of introduction, five chapters and conclusion. The annex was added to the dissertation. There are the list of operating matters, execute by apparatus of security from 1955 to 1975.

The work presents activity of communist apparatus of security in Nowy Sącz County over thirty years. It draws attention to show evolution of functioning of political police, to emphasize continuity and change at all aspects its activity in this period.

The first two chapters are introductory. In the first chapter presented creation and growth of apparatus of security in the „peasant” Poland. The second chapter described the Nowy Sącz County, to take into consideration the process of creating the local authority and administration, and organization of political and economic life.

The third chapter was presented the process of organizing apparatus of security in the Nowy Sącz County, described its structure and changes that were made over the years. There was discussed activity of operating departaments, functioning investigative office, and also the secondary and non-operating sections.

The fourth chapter describes the tools of operational activity – personal sources of information, methods of using them and the main problems associated with it.

The fifth chapter presented activity of apparatus of security against different backgrounds, institutions, social groups and political events. The attention was turned to changes in the perception and treatment both overt political opponents of the communist regime, and those who during the consolidation of its, was defined as enemies of the system.

The chapters tree to five were completed summaries, which were characterized in terms of the evolution of these problems discussed in over thirty years activity of apparatus of security in Nowy Sącz County.

In the end highlighted the moments characteristic of the Nowy Sącz apparatus of security in relation to the structure, personnel matters, organization of work, operational activities and areas of interest.

Reference also made to the literature of the subject to indicate similarities and differences in the fundamental issues being investigated.