

TEZE DIPLOMOVÉ PRÁCE

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V čem se oproti původnímu zadání změnil cíl práce? There have been significant changes made to my thesis compared with my original research proposal. My original topic concerned Brazil in the role of a mediator of international conflicts. Yet this topic turned out to be rather problematic due to a limited number of sources. As a result, I altered my original topic to a certain degree. The negotiations between Brazil and the USA remained the object of my thesis but on a more concrete level, namely the WTO. I am analyzing individual dispute settlement cases between the USA and Brazil. Brazil has devoted substantial effort and resources to becoming one of the most frequent and successful users of the WTO Dispute Settlement Mechanism (DSM). In my thesis I am trying to answer why the DSM is so important for Brazilian trade strategy and what the implications are.
Jaké změny nastaly v časovém, teritoriálním a věcném vymezení tématu? The time frame of my thesis corresponds with the existence of the WTO, i.e. from 1995 until present time. The thesis concerns Brazil and the USA in the context of the WTO. The core of the thesis are two case studies devoted to agricultural subsidies and patent protection.
Jak se proměnila struktura práce (vyjádřete stručným obsahem)? The first chapter elaborates on Brazil's use of the WTO Dispute Settlement Mechanism. It further analyzes agricultural industry and protectionist measures and also pharmaceutical industry and innovation. The following two chapters are two case studies which cover the two most important and contentious disputes between Brazil and the USA.
Jakým vývojem prošla metodologická koncepce práce? The thesis consists mainly of two case studies. The first case study covers a dispute between the USA and Brazil concerning subsidies on upland cotton and the second case study covers a dispute between the USA and Brazil regarding patent protection. The case studies address among others the importance of timing and political pressure, the concept of retaliation, the role of NGOs and the issue of compliance.
Které nové prameny a sekundární literatura byly zpracovány a jak tato skutečnost ovlivnila celek práce? The WTO official website proved to be a very useful source of information. Furthermore, I was able to access multiple cables exchanged between the Department of State and various embassies around the world. I have also discovered many influential academic articles and books, such as "The United States and the WTO Dispute Settlement System" by Robert

Lawrence, "Analysis of the Brazil-USA cotton dispute" by William Ridley and Stephen Devadoss, "Implications of the TRIPS Agreement for Developing Countries: Pharmaceutical Patent Laws in Brazil and South Africa in the 21st Century" by Naomi Bass, "Conflicts in the Knowledge Society: The Contentious Politics of IP" by Sebastian Haunss. I have also obtained memoirs written by Celso Amorim, Fernando Henrique Cardoso and Lula da Silva.

Charakterizujte základní proměny práce v době od zadání projektu do odevzdání tezí a pokuste se vyhodnotit, jaký pokrok na práci jste během semestru zaznamenali (v bodech):

-I have clarified and specified my thesis topic and my research question.

-I have conducted extensive analysis of individual disputes between the USA and Brazil at the WTO.

-I have researched various legal and economic aspects of the specific disputes.

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