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Dissertation summary

The aim of the research of the dissertation *Apoliticality of the Polish Police in 2007–2015* was to define the theoretical assumptions of the apolitical nature of the Police and, based on the analysis of the functioning of the Police in 2007–2015, to identify the mechanisms and factors of political influence on the Police in the democratic system. There were distinguished four contexts of the apolitical nature of the Police: historical, formal and legal, functional and ethical. Important issues in this topic include financing the service, personnel policy, relations between representatives of the authorities and the Police management, as well as presenting and assessing the formation.

The first chapter discusses the theoretical aspects of apoliticality, political neutrality and apartism. The second chapter deals with the two main mechanisms and factors contributing to the politicization of the Police – financing and personnel policy. The next part of the dissertation analyzes the political programs of the coalition and opposition parties, the expose of the Prime Ministers, transcripts of the meetings of the Administration and Internal Affairs Committee/Internal Affairs Committee, and parliamentary questions. The fourth chapter focuses on the relations between representatives of the executive power and the Police (ministerial supervision over the service, the changes made among voivodship commanders and the Priorities of the Chief Commanders which were compared with ministerial plans for internal security). The last chapter is a case study analysis. It concerns the assessment of the activities of the Police during the National Independence Day on November 11th in 2011–2015, carried out by the president and politicians from the ruling coalition, the opposition, the organizers of the Independence March and the Police itself, as well as other subjects.

