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Georgi Kjosseivanow, der Krieg und die Regierungskreise in Bulgarien (Februar 1940–September 1944)

(Abstract)

Georgi Kyoseivanov, the War and the Ruling Circles in Bulgaria (February 1940 – September 1944). The article discusses the role of Georgi Kyoseivanov in Bulgarian politics after he left the post of Prime Minister until the Soviet army entered the country. The author examines his conceptual views against the background of the main stages of Bulgaria's participation in the Second World War. He clarifies Kozheivanov's position on the foreign policy course in the spring of 1943, not to seek the break-up of the alliance with Germany. He also describes the struggle for power between the various political groups after the death of the king, as well as the impersonal policy of the rulers afterwards. He argues that officially G. Kiosseivanov maintained the foreign policy line of the Government, but in a narrow circle expressed the opposite view. However, at the end of August 1944, he still believed that Bulgaria should maintain its pro-German line. The finale marks important moments of Kyoseivanov's professional, civil and life biography after the coup on 9 September 1944 until his death in July 1960.

The article is written on the basis of archival and published documents, scientific publications from the 1970s to the latest monographs, personal documents such as memoirs and diaries published in the last 20 years.

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