



Departmental Colloquium

“Alexander Dubček and Czecho-Slovakia in 1968: Reforms, Federation and the UN”



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In January 1968, the election of Alexander Dubček - “a Slovak, as well as a pragmatist with relatively progressive views,” according to Canadian diplomats - to the leadership of the Communist Party, started reforms for “Socialism with a Human Face” in Czecho-Slovakia. The reforms were interrupted by the intervention from outside in August 1968. The only lasting legacy of the Dubček’s reforms was the federalization of Czecho-Slovakia. The presentation explores the legacy of the Czecho-Slovak Spring of 1968 in Canadian, U. S., Czecho-Slovak, Russian and the United Nations diplomatic documents.

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