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BULGARIAN HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THE CHINESE HISTORIAN MA SIPU

(Summary)

The particular reason for writing this study is the 70-eth anniversary of the Chinese scholar in Bulgarian history Prof. DSc, PhD Ma Sipu, long-term head of department "History of the socialist countries" in the Institute of history in the China Academy of Social Sciences, as well as deputy head of department "European countries" in the Institute for Social Development of the Euro-Asian countries at the State Council of China. After cursory review on his biography, directly connected with our country, a chronological review of his scientific works is made with stress on the problems concerning questions from the Bulgarian new and contemporary history. The basic periods of his scientific works are outlined, and the stress in the study is put on the selective approach of the Chinese scholar in interpreting various subjects of Bulgarian reality. The interests of the Chinese scholar which vary from middle ages, 1877-1878 Russia-Turkish war, public and historical events in the 20th years of last century up to nowadays, as well as the "trade mark" in his scientific works - the theme "Georgi Dimitrov" and the "Bulgarian transition" are not overlooked either. In that aspect the study not only mark the leading titles of his rich scientific works, but makes an analytic review of the majority of his publications. A special attention is devoted to the monographs of the Chinese scholar. In the final part of the study comments are made on the contribution of the Chinese scholar to the Bulgarian history, depicting Ma Sipu as a scholar with vast contribution in popularization of the Bulgarian history, culture and political life in China.