

## Essays

*Komkova E.G.* **America's Policies toward Canada:**

**Prerequisites, Principles, and Patterns** ..... 3

Because the asymmetrical nature of the U.S.-Canada relationship Canada is far more focused on its relationship with the U.S. than the U.S. is with Canada. The article begins by asking whether official Washington could be said to have had a Canada policy after the World War II and what kind of judgments can be made about this policy – was it based on some fundamental principles? Furthermore: was Canada treated by Washington as a strong and independent ally or a peripheral dependency?

**Keywords:** America's Canada policies, U.S.-Canadian relations, special relationship.

*Zimenkov R.I.* **U.S. on the World Market of Technology** ..... 17

The article is devoted to analysis of the U.S. role in the international technology market. The main indicators of American Research and Development are shown. The channels of technology transfer, volume and dynamics of this trade, leading U.S. trade partners in this field, as a factor effecting the social and economic situation in the country are shown. The U.S. policy aimed at regulation of technology transfer is considered. **Keywords:** U.S. R&D, international transfer of technology, patents, licenses, know-how, regulation of technology transfer, the Obama administration.

*Skriba A.S.* **Decline of American Hegemony in the Age of Non-Polarity** ..... 37

The article provides assessment of contemporary international politics in terms of its poles, and the U.S. role whose influence on international processes though remains powerful has been recently deteriorating. The features of U.S. and other centers of power foreign policy in the context of contemporary polycentric world picture are investigated. The article estimates how the United States can respond to the challenge of force redistribution in favor of «the rest of the world». **Keywords:** the age of non-polarity, multipolarity, power balance, hegemony

## History

*Nosov M.G.* **U.S.-Japanese Relations between 1937 and 1939** ..... 49

The seizure of Manchuria which escalated the conflict between Japan and China into the full scale war, and the beginning of the Second World War in September 1939 marked a collapse of American hopes to preserve the Versailles system in Pacific region. American policy toward Japan started to shift from appeals to reason and common sense to preparedness for possible confrontation. Japanese politicians and military embarked on the way of establishment of “New Order” in Asia which claimed “freedom from white colonialism” and in practice meant redistribution of regional resources in favor of Japan. **Keywords:** USA, Japan. China, USSR, appeasement, Munich agreement, sanctions.

## Economic Survey

*Lanshina T.A. The U.S. Role in the Chinese*

### National System of Innovation ..... 65

Many elements of the Chinese national system of innovation (NSI) have been formed with regard to the U.S. experience. But the Chinese NSI is substantially different from the American one and China still largely lacks capability to generate indigenous innovations. The aim of the paper is twofold: to investigate the U.S. role in the Chinese NSI and to analyze the main channels China uses to borrow, including the industrial espionage, i.e. the theft of American intellectual property. **Keywords:** national system of innovation, innovation, indigenous innovation, R&D, intellectual property, triple helix, university spin-off, government procurement.

## Russian Americans

### *Khisamutdinov A.A. Russians in Seattle* ..... 81

This article describes the activities of the Russian community in Seattle during the 19th and 20th centuries, giving the social, cultural, religious, and political characteristics of Russian Americans. The author tells about the prominent leaders of the community who left their mark in the history of Russian America. **Keywords:** Russian Seattle, Russian Americans, Russians abroad, Russian Church, periodical press.

## Reader's Deliberation

*Filippenko A.A. "Open the Golden Doors": Three Books*

### on G.W. Bush Immigration Policy ..... 93

The article describes how scientists of the XVIII-XXI centuries analyzed immigration history and immigration politics of the USA. Main attention is paid to three important works on immigration politics by R. Koulisch, S.F. Martin and A.C. d'Appollonia who consider immigration politics and practices during the G.W. Bush administration. They analyze the existing legislation and give their recommendations on future immigration reform. **Keywords:** border security, immigration, immigration policy, nativism, terrorism.

## Background Material

### *Nerentz D.V. Investigative Journalism in the USA: Contemporary Stage* ..... 105

Investigative journalism in the United States has overcome deep crisis and is again gaining strength and popularity. This is the result of significant changes in management and investigative reporting methods in the U.S. The author suggests that American contemporary practices of investigative journalism might be useful for the Russian media fighting corruption. **Keywords:** investigative journalism, crowd-sourcing, data journalism, non-profit organizations, investigators, consortium..

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