

HISTORY

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Role of Great Britain in the process of Germany consolidation between 1989-1990s

The article considers the position of the British government with Margaret Thatcher as a head regarding the German reunification process in 1989-1990s. The author dwells on the evolution of the viewpoint of the British politician, beginning from the Fall of the Berlin Wall in November 1989 and ending with the signing of the Moscow Treaty on the Final Settlement with Respect to Germany, highlighting key moments of the British-German relations. The article gives also a wide coverage of the lack of coincidence of the British government's attitude and public opinion towards the German reunification. This can be used to illustrate the difference in evaluation of the events in Germany in 1989-1990s. The author comes to the conclusion, that British authorities exerted all efforts in order to hinder or even to stop the reunification of the GDR and the FRG during international negotiations with the former Four Powers which occupied Germany at the end of World War II in Europe: France, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

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