SUMMARY

Subject of the thesis: Foreign Policy of the Russian Federation in The Near East

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Relevance of the research issue:

The Middle East region, which is today a knot tighten the numerous contradictions radically different political regimes, the focus of sharp ethnic and religious conflict and open clashes, is at the same time a geopolitically important region both in foreign policy and resource point of view.

The geo-strategic position of the region is the cradle of human civilization, which has the world's largest reserves of natural energy resources and their transportation routes, exits to the Mediterranean, the waters of the Persian Gulf and the Indian Ocean, the status of an important transport corridor between East and West, South and North defines its role in economic and political scenario of global development, becoming areal crossing multiple, often divergent interests of leading states.

In view of these factors, the role and importance of the Middle East in the Russian foreign policy strategy that seeks to revive the status of a world power, capable to participate equally in the solution of global problems of the world community, it is difficult to overestimate. Restoring full and firm position of Russia in the Middle East after the indistinct foreign policy of the 1990s that followed the collapse of the USSR, and resuscitation of close cooperation with the countries of the region, dictated by the national interests of the country, it is an imperative of Russian foreign policy in modern conditions, determining the relevance of the analysis of its condition and prospects.

The purpose of the study to determine the current state of, and the opportunities and prospects for conducting the foreign policy of Russia in the Middle East.

Research objectives:  
- define the concept of foreign policy and its essential characteristics
- to characterize the conduct of foreign policy in the context of globalization
- identify the main guidelines of foreign policy in the Middle East
- to analyze the Middle East vector of Russian foreign policy: opportunities and prospects.

**Scientific novelty:**

- It is identified and classified features of the foreign policy of the state in the context of globalization;
- it is defined targets, the main directions and prospects of Russian foreign policy in the Middle East.

**The structure** of the work is due to the logic of the study consists of an introduction, two chapters, each of which comprises two sections, conclusion and bibliography of references of 137 titles, including 23 foreign languages. The total amount of work is 76 typewritten pages.

**Summary:** Under the influence of globalization, the increasing interdependence of the subjects of international relations that will appear on the world scene of new actors and transforming the current in the second half of the twentieth century, the system of international relationships, there is an expansion of the spectrum of traditional directions of the foreign policy of the state, due to its growing multi-vector, causes account in foreign policy strategy as the interstate and regional level interactions.

Russia's foreign policy in the Middle East, built on the principle of multi-storey building where cooperation projects undertaken with individual countries in the region, is a contribution to the construction of the total building cooperation in the Middle East geo-strategic space, self-positioning of Russia in the region, seems to us the most vital and realizable model that meets the national interests of the Russian state.