SUMMARY

**Subject of the thesis:** Russian-French relations at the present stage.

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**Relevance of the research issue** is determined that fact that in the period of the Cold war, the collapse of the USSR and, as a consequence, the collapse of the bipolar system of international relations has set before mankind a number of new, unsolved problems. The world has undergone significant changes, which affected almost all spheres of life of society. The world community was faced with military threats in areas of instability, asymmetry of regional development has caused the division of the world into two camps – the rich North and the poor South.

The special context of these issues take in the formation of a new, global system of international relations. An important component of a new system of international relations, regional cooperation and development, significantly increases the importance of the regional factor in contemporary international relations.

In this regard, the study of Russian-French relations with a long history and tradition and in many ways the defining geopolitical dynamics in European political space, is of undoubted relevance.

**The purpose** is to examine the current state and prospects of Russian-French relations.

**Research objectives:**
- to analyze the status and the dynamics of international relations in modern conditions;
- to identify the role of the state as the main actor in contemporary international relations and the mechanisms of their interaction;
- to determine the place and role of Russia and France in the modern world political process;
- to determine the prospects of development of Russian-French relations.

**Scientific novelty:**
- it is studied conceptual framework of the role of countries in the modern world and interaction, justifying the conclusion that, despite the expansion in the number of participants in the global political process, countries remain the main actors of international relations;
- it is identified areas of Russian-French cooperation, of mutual priorities in the foreign policy of the two countries.

**Structure** two chapters, two paragraphs, the conclusion, bibliography list of used literature from 116 sources, including 42 sources in foreign languages. The total volume is 60 pages.
Summary: The end of the Cold war, the collapse of the USSR and, as a consequence, the collapse of the bipolar system of international relations has set before mankind a number of new, unsolved problems. The world has undergone significant changes, which affected almost all spheres of life of society. Have reached a new level of inter-ethnic and inter-confessional conflicts, international terrorism, the threat of nuclear proliferation, environmental pollution, etc. The World community was faced with military threats in areas of instability, asymmetry of regional development has caused the division of the world into two camps – the rich North and the poor South.

The special context of these issues take in the formation of a new, global system of international relations. Under the influence of globalization processes, a new structure of world order, there is a fixing of new poles of power, the development of methods of interstate interaction. An important component of a new system of international relations, regional cooperation and development, significantly increases the importance of the regional factor in contemporary international relations.

In these conditions, Russia's foreign policy aimed at restoring its leading position in the system of international relations, is of a multidimensional nature, including the formation of new alliances in different regions of the world and the deepening of cooperation with traditional partners. Russian-French relations – an important factor in European and world politics, which contributes to stability in Europe and throughout the world. In the relations between Russia and France – the shared positions on key issues of European and global development, commitment to multilateralism, concerted action in the interests of strengthening international security, so France needs to move away from the sanctions policy against Russia, which it primarily does harm its national interests.