RESEARCH ON THE RECEPTION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY CONTROL PHENOMENON OVER THE NATIONAL SECURITY SECTOR IN ROMANIA

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Abstract: The scientific papers published in the field of parliamentary control over the institutions in the national security system are relatively small in number, and the the issues approached are limited to formal aspects, mainly legal and organizational. Under these circumstances, it becomes obvious that this field is insufficiently explored and scientifically investigated, especially in terms of personal appreciation of MPs, the main actors who exert and improve the parliamentary control mechanisms.

Even if it is absolutely necessary to establish the legal framework for the organization and operation of the institutions in the national security sector under democratic control, not all procedural aspects can be legislated, therefore, customs and practices of the parliamentary control may develop and perpetuate, based on social norms, trust and mutual respect. In addition, the political will of MPs to use the mechanisms and tools at their disposal is the primary condition for exerting de facto the parliamentary control.

The approach of parliamentary control in terms of perceptions, opinions, legislative representatives over this phenomenon is defined as a new subject of study, meant to supplement the work of scientific substantiation of a complex phenomenon, in which, subjective aspects, regarding concepts, motivations, attitudes, ways of action and communication of the parliamentary control committee members in relation to the institutions in the national security system, but also civil society, become defining, able to influence, sometimes decisively, the effectiveness of control.

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