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*The Actual Formation of the Archives of Yugoslavia (the Kingdom, the DFY, FPRY)*

*Summary*

This study presents a brief review of the most important details of the attempts to create the Yugoslav archives and archive regulations in the period from 1919-1941.

Work on creating the Yugoslav archives started in 1939, in order to be continued after the end of the war 1944/1945. In the short period up to the end of 1947 the former State Archives of the Kingdom of Serbia and (for a shorter period) the State Archives of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia continued working as the State Archives of the Democratic Federative Yugoslavia (DFY) and the State Archives of the Federal Peoples' Republic of Yugoslavia (FPRY).

However, the lack of regulations led to the closing down of the Archives. New efforts to create the Yugoslav archives and organize the archive structure finally resulted in passing the General State Archive Law on 21st January 1950.

The Law marked the creation of a new «federal archives». However, it remains an issue whether it was a new institution, or it represented the continuation of the one that had existed up to 31st December 1947. The facts reviewed herewith should be able to offer the scientific and wider audience the right answer.