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*The Legislation and Formation Committee
of Peoples Governance of the Government of the Federal Peoples Republic
of Yugoslavia 1946–1950
– the Institution and its Archival Material –*

Summary

The Committee for Legislation and the Formation of Peoples Governance of the Government of the Federal Peoples Republic of Yugoslavia – FPRY (182) presents one of the most important archival fonds of the socialist period after World War II. The border years of the fond and material are from 8th February 1946, when the Committee was founded, until 24th May 1950, when it was abolished. The newly formed Council for Legislation and the Formation of Peoples Governance of the Government of the FPRY inherited the entire field of work previously under the competence of the Committee. The archival material of the Committee enables tracing down the development of the state on the following levels: placing initiatives, making drafts, offering opinions regarding the introduction of legal regulations (there exists a thesis that the Committee was actually the legal service of the government of the FPRY), organization of all federal and republic administration bodies, institutes and companies, systematization of staff positions and their mandates, the formation of peoples' governance within local bodies (borough, district and county national-liberation boards), their organization and territorial attachment. The Committee administered the *Official Bulletin of the FPRY*, the Federal Administration for Systematization and the Federal Bureau for the Promotion of Business Management. The significance of the archive material of this fond is also reflected in the fact that it was not possible to study any other fond from that period without prior review of the archive material of the Committee for Legislation and the Formation of Peoples Governance of the Government of the FPRY because it contained the organizational patterns of all federal and republic administrative bodies, institutions and certain companies.