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Abstract

With intensification of the economic exchanges between China and Germany, diplomatic conflicts have arisen. This work has tried to find the reasons for the conflicts. Different analyses from the methods in the fields of international relationships and political science have been used. And the relationship between China and Germany from 1990 to 2009 has been used as a concrete example in assessing functioning during normality and in crisis. The objectives of this research have been centered on which conditions exist in the political culture and diplomacy and how the political culture effects the decision-making process.

One of the purposes of this paper is to deal with these diplomatic issues from the perspective of political culture. Another purpose is to try to offer a solution to the diplomacy conflict in terms of ideological differences between China and Germany.

This study was concluded with the following results.

Firstly, the different political cultures of China and Germany have influences on the foreign policy-making process. In the diplomatic tensions between China and Germany, the topics have after 1992 focused on human rights and the issue of Tibet.

Secondly, it is a mistake to avoid the diplomatic conflicts because they are based on the thoughts and the value systems of the two countries and their different political opinions.

Thirdly, China and Germany have similar diplomatic ideas, which guide the basic foreign strategies. And the traditional political culture of China has an influence on foreign policy.

Furthermore, the Chinese society plays a significant indirect role in the decision-making process.

Finally, through the development of Chinese society and the advances of the multi-faceted diplomacy, the general recognition of human rights, democracy and other intercultural conflicts and different views can be formulated.