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## **REFLECTIONS ON THE STRUCTURE OF NATIONAL SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS**

In the article the emotional, not rational, is put first in the understanding of national self-consciousness. The corporality of population, territory, culture artifacts take the axiological, nationally oriented meaning, and form the basis of the structure of national self-consciousness. The nation achieves the self-consciousness, being attributed to the elite, headed by the leadership figure, consolidated by self-assurance in the universal sense of national self-realization.

National self-consciousness always involves the perspective of threat to the existence of the nation itself. So the possibility for the annihilation of the “others” proves to be legitimized. This negativity in the existing “legal states” cannot be “dialectically removed” yet.

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