FEATURES OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF POWER OF THE UNITED STATES THROUGH THE PRISM OF THE SYSTEM "CHECKS AND BALANCES"

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It is well known that the United States is one of the most politically stable countries in the world. The result of the American stable political system was the creation of a system of checks and balances.

The United States was not the democracy we know it today. Rather, this state of the American political system is the result of a complex evolution that lasted more than two hundred years and was made possible by the flexibility enshrined in the Constitution.

The American Constitution is short - it contains less than eight thousand words. It does not regulate all the details of the functioning of the country, but it contains very clear principles that have to guide the President and Congress in the law-making process and the judiciary in the process of interpreting laws.

An American thinker, Alexis de Tocqueville, analyzing the US federal constitution and the practice of its application, pointed out that it was American constitutionalism that succeeded in putting the classical ideas of separation of powers into practice. In addition, he noted that in the United States due attention is paid to the role of the judiciary in the mechanism of separation of state power, while in the theoretical developments of European scholars, this issue has not been sufficiently addressed [3, p.72]. Moreover, considering the powers of the executive and the legislature to be approximately equivalent to each other, the thinker expressed concern that the independence and autonomy of the judiciary are so high that it can sometimes not be influenced by these two authorities.

The principle of separation of powers presupposes both delimitation and a certain interaction, as a result of which the domination of one power over another, or at the expense of another, is not allowed. Practical experience in implementing the principle of separation of powers in the United States shows that the balance of power does not remain stable it changes periodically due to rivalry between the legislature and the executive, often in favor of the latter. At the same time, this did not lead to a leveling of the role of the

legislature much less call into question the existence of the principle itself and its effectiveness [2, p.14].

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