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## **DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES AND THE BEGINNING OF SERBIAN REBELLION IN THE AREA OF ZADAR, BENKOVAC AND OBROVAC MUNICIPALITIES DURING 1989 AND 1990**

### **Summary**

This paper, based on relevant literature, archive material and newspapers, examines transition processes in the area of Zadar, Benkovac and Obrovac municipalities during 1989 and 1990. Autor presented the situation in the League of Communists through the prism of democratic and liberal processes and tried to figure out to what extent the League of Communists was ready for a radical change. As the unstoppable waves of democracy have come to the Socialist Republic of Croatia, particular attention in this paper is devoted to the appearance of new parties, first multi-party elections and election results. Accordingly, the paper also deals with the beginning of the serbian rebellion which led to unthinkable war destructions on the territory of the Republic of Croatia.

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