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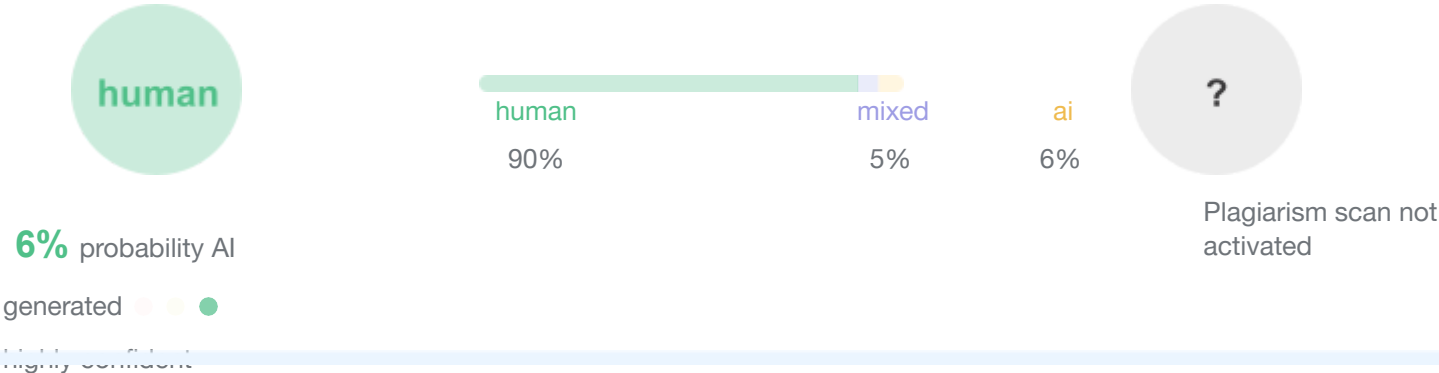
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1 CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION I.1. Background of The Study President Vladimir Putin has declared an invasion on Ukrainian territory since February 24, 2022. Russian government TV outlets aired this announcement live.1 Putin claimed that this invasion was a measure of self-defense against outside threats to Russia rather than an attempt to seize land in Ukraine. He made it clear that anyone attempting to thwart the invasion would face penalties from Russia. After Putin made his statement, Russian armed forces started encroaching on Ukrain- ian land from all sides. The Russian forces not only carried out ground operations but also conducted airstrikes on Brovary, a region close to Kyiv, the capital of Ukraine. Numerous nations and international organizations have denounced Russia's invasion of Ukraine. This reaction entails breaking off diplomatic ties, enacting finan- cial penalties, suspending participation in several international organizations, and ending collaboration in sci- ence, culture, athletics, education, the economy, and security. The US, the EU, Canada, and the Federated States of Micronesia,2 are among the several nations that have cut diplomatic ties with Russia in reaction to the inva- sion. Along with being barred from international events like the 2024 Summer Olympics, Russia has also been kicked out of several international organizations, including the World Trade Organization (WTO), UNESCO, FIFA, UEFA,3 and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), G20, Interpol, and IAEA.4 Anoth- er negative impact experienced by Russia due to 1 BBC News. (2022, February 24). Ukraine conflict: Russian forces attack from three sides. Retrieved 20 February 2024, from <https://bbc.com/news/world-europe-60503037> 2 Presse, F., P. (2022, February 25). Federated States Of Micronesia Breaks Ties With Russia Over Ukraine War. The Barron's news. Retrieved 17 February 2024,

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This thesis discusses Russia's policy on citizenship acquisition in 2024. The research aims to explain the reasons behind the issuance of Decree No. 10 of 2024, which simplifies the citizenship process for foreign nationals who sign military service contracts. Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022-2023 resulted in losses, condemnation, and sanctions from Western countries, leading to political and economic challenges for Russia. Despite the conflict and tensions, regional security remains a vital interest for Russia. In analyzing the reasons behind the decision to issue Decree No. 10 of 2024, the author uses John Mearsheimer's Realism perspective and Leonard Wong and Stephen J. Gerras' Culture and Military Organizations theory. The method used in this research is a qualitative literature study, utilizing secondary data sources from documents and audiovisual materials published in intermediary media. This research finds that the reasons for the issuance of Decree No. 10 of 2024 by Russia include the dynamics of the Russia-Ukraine war, which has now become attrition warfare, the weaknesses of Russia's geographical strategy along its borders, and the National Mobilization Plan of 2022 proposed by Putin, which did not meet expectations. Therefore, the decision to issue Decree No. 10 of 2024 is seen as a potential solution for Russia to ensure the security of its borders.

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List of Acronyms

APCs	The Andarmoured Personnel Carriers
CFE	The Conventional Armed Forces in Europe
EU	The European Union
FIFA	The Fédération internationale de football association
G20	The Group of 20
IAEA	The International Atomic Energy Agency
INF	The Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces
Interpol	The International Criminal Police Organization
IFVs	The Infantry Fighting Vehicles
MOOTW	The Military Operations Other Than War
NATO	The North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NSS	The National Security Strategy
OSCE	The Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
PMC	The Russian state-funded private military company
SMO	The Special Military Operation
UEFA	The Union of European Football Associations
UN	The United Nations
UNESCO	The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
US	The United States
WTO	The World Trade Organization