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“Great debates” of 1950-1951s: attitude of senators-Republicans to the issue of military authority of the US president

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It is considered the position of the Republican Party about the military authority of the President Truman during the so-called «Great Debate», 1950-1951. An analysis of the US Congress records and hearings before the Committee on Foreign Relation and the Committee on Armed Services United States Senate led to the conclusion that the Republican Party was no unity, but the argument of supporters of presidential authority limits was convincing. Their proposed resolutions, which has not been adopted by the Senate, but later its became the basis of the War Powers Resolution of 1973.

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