



MACEDONIA DEMOCRACY WATCH

REPORT BASED ON THE MONITORING OF TV NEWS PROGRAMMES

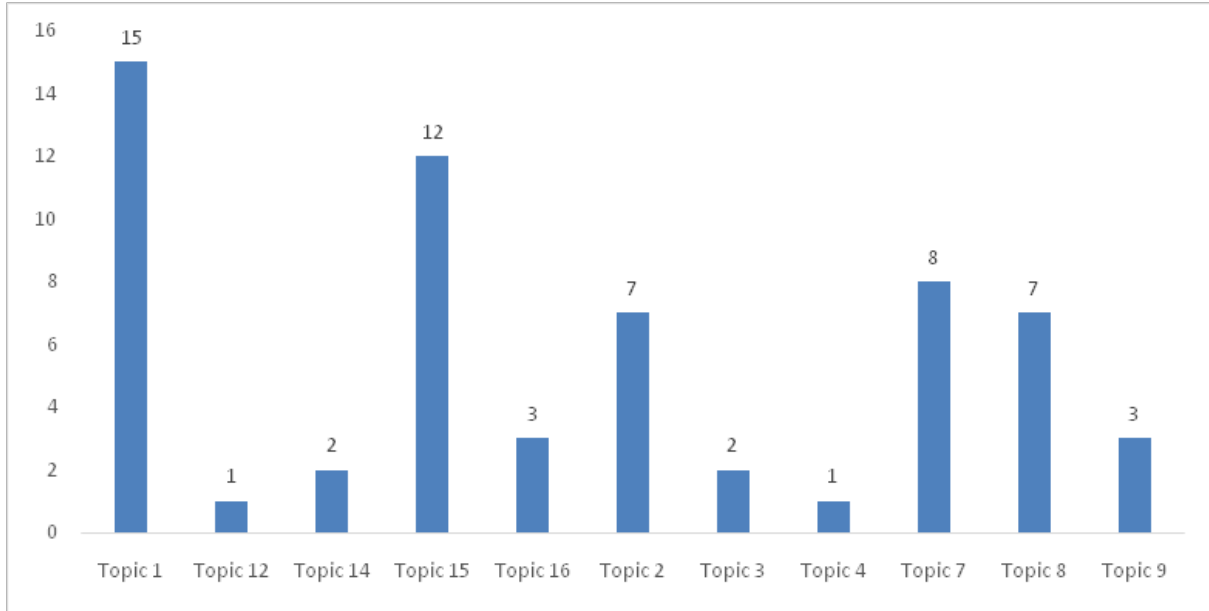


MACEDONIAN TELEVISION SECOND SERVICE

1. COVERED TOPICS

During the analyzed period, MTV2 has published a total of 63 news reports. The organization surrounding the elections conducted by the institutions, re-designing EU 6, the voters' registry were the topics that were prevalent in the reports (16). The work of the institutions

(European integrations, regional cooperation, visits) was a topic represented in 13 reports. The work of the SPPO, i.e. the announcement of the two charges and the process titled 'Coup' was a topic in 8 reports, while for the floods and the consequences from them, as well as the pre-



Number of reports on MTV2 in relation to the different topics (September 5 - 9 and 11 - 16)

Topic 1	Organizing early parliamentary elections (preparation of the voters' registry, the issue with the exceedingly high number of voters in the sixth electoral unit, etc.)
Topic 2	Pre-election activities of political parties (all activities involving announcements, promises and reactions to them)
Topic 3	Promotion of Government projects and measures (the measures, most often in agriculture, were promoted by Government representatives from VMRO-DPMNE)
Topic 4	Government projects and measures that promote political parties and leaders
Topic 5	Pre-election promises of Government representatives
Topic 6	Other activities of Government representatives
Topic 7	The work of the Special Public Prosecutor's Office (including other topics related to SPPO, as waiting for the Constitutional Court to give a statement about its constitutionality)
Topic 8	Dealing with the consequences from the flooding in August (including Parliamentary sessions on this topic)
Topic 9	Marking 25 years since Macedonia declared independence (including the analytical stories about how much the country has progressed)
Topic 10	Honoring Mother Teresa
Topic 11	Zoran Zaev's announcement for expanded use of Albanian language
Topic 12	The state of the economy (state debt to the business sector, unemployment statistics, budget preparations)
Topic 13	Borrowing and public debt
Topic 14	The media and the work of the media
Topic 15	The work of the institutions
Topic 16	Other topics

election activities of the parties, MTV2 dedicated 7 reports each for reporting them. Independence Day was marked in the news with three reports.

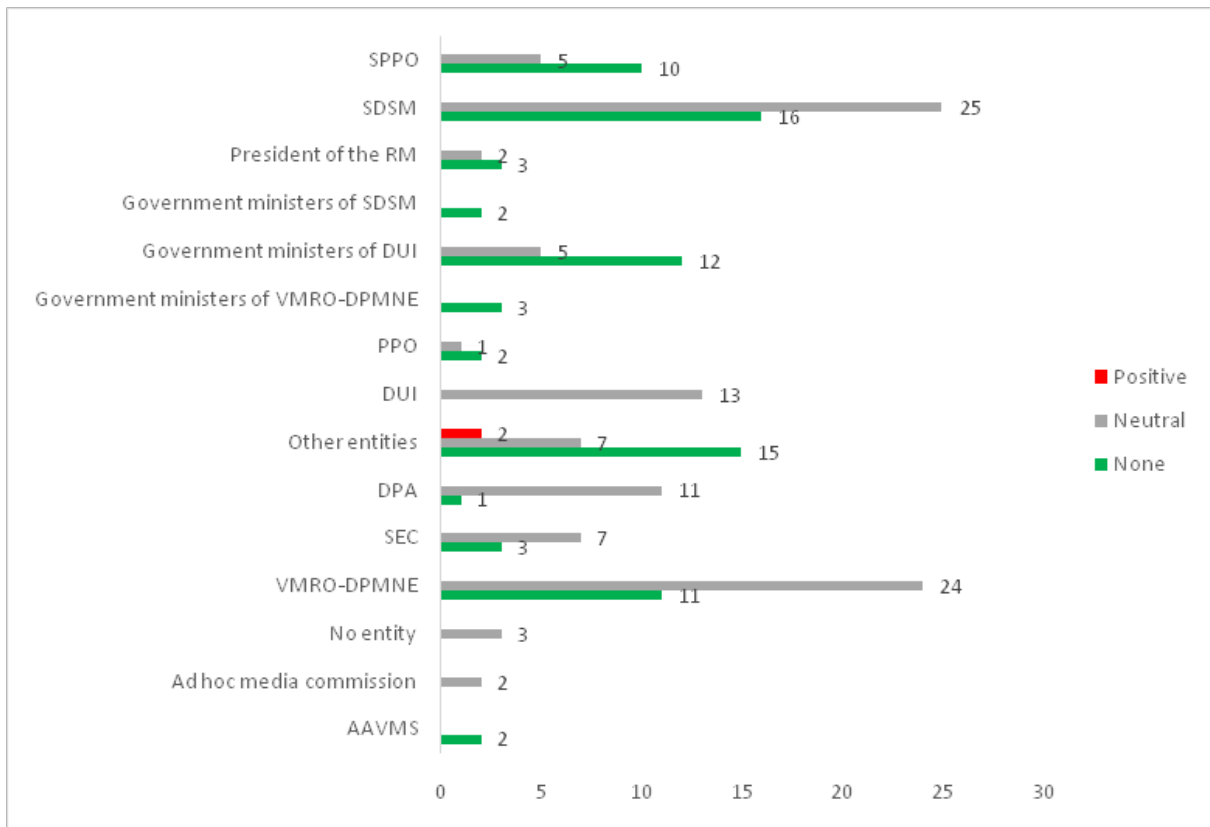
The news on MTV2 informed about all significant political events in the country,

although a mild inclination could be observed towards the topics that are of interest of the Albanian ethnic community (the activities of DUI officials, the shifts in the Albanian political block, local events related to the Albanian community).

2. POLITICAL ENTITIES

In the reports shown during the analyzed period, the subject that was most present was SDSM (41 reports), VMRO-DPMNE (35), ministers from DUI (17), SPPO (15), DUI (13), DPA (12) and SEC (11). In general, the news on MTV2 did not display any personal opinions

of the journalists or the newsroom. Whenever present, these were neutral, and occurred when the following topics were mentioned: SDSM (25 reports), VMRO DPMNE (24), DUI (13), DPA (11). In two reports the journalist gave their personal affirmative opinion.

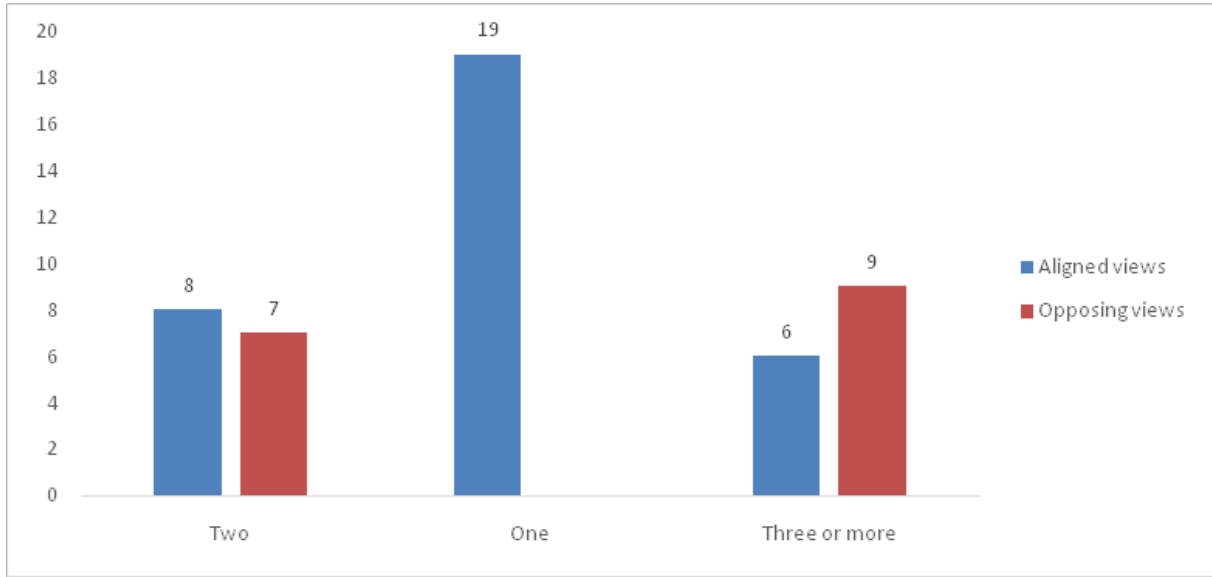


Number of reports and manner of framing of political entities (September 5 - 9 and 11 - 16)

3. USING SOURCES

For the most part, there was one source used in the reports (19). Then followed the reports with two or more sides were presented

(16), out of which 10 presented opposing views (10). In the reports with two sources (15), the interlocutors mostly had aligned views (8).



Using sources in the news on MTV 2 (September 5 - 9 and 11 - 16)