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**LEXICAL BORROWINGS FROM RUSSIAN TO CHINESE:
HISTORICAL ASPECT (BASED ON THE CHINESE DICTIONARY
OF BORROWED WORDS BY LIU ZHENGYAN, GAO MINGKAI,
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Abstract

The current paper aims at analyzing lexical units borrowed from Russian to Mandarin Chinese in the middle of the XX century that were fixed in «The Dictionary of Chinese borrowed words». The results of Russian borrowings study are represented there in chronological aspect. The results of the study enable to conclude that those borrowed lexical units reflect the peculiarities of ethnic contacts, political, social, economic, and cultural relations between the peoples of Russia and China in the middle of the XX century. Russian borrowings in Chinese in that time period are the result of the atmosphere conducive for the interaction of the two languages – Russian and Chinese. Further development of those borrowings is determined by both extralinguistic and purely linguistic factors.

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