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TITLE	<p>FROM UTOPIA TO THEORY: ANDREW MORAVCSIK’S CONTRIBUTION TO LIBERAL PARADIGM OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</p>
SUMMARY	<p>American political scientist A. Moravcsik is credited with undertaking one of the most consistent and elaborated efforts to synthesize the key elements of the liberal research program in the international relations theory. His concept, which sought to clearly delineate the core methodological features of the liberal approaches to world politics, was first introduced in the 1990s, but continues to prompt discussions among international political scientists to this day. This paper seeks to assess the contribution of A. Moravcsik to the development of the liberal international relations theory. In order to outline the novelty of his ideas, the first section examines basic provisions of political realism and classic liberalism as they had evolved until the 1990s. The second section examines the key elements of A. Moravcsik’s original concept. The authors emphasize that A. Moravcsik identified three types of international political liberalism: republican, pluralistic, and commercial, which differ from one another with regard to central independent variable, indicating intensity of international conflict and cooperation within the corresponding explanatory matrix. Thus, certain elements of these three types, while fitting within general liberal methodological framework, differ in their applicability to practical political analysis. This vision of the liberal doctrine might slightly deviate from its conventional understanding but is far more compelling as an analytical and methodological tool for studying contemporary international relations. The paper concludes with a review of the most significant works written in response to A. Moravcsik’s work, which either draw on his ideas or totally reject them. The paper argues that A. Moravcsik’s attempt to reassess liberal paradigm, despite being highly controversial, has had a really significant impact on the development of liberal international relations theory.</p>

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