

The Second Party-ban Proceedings Against the NPD (National Democratic Party of Germany)

A Case Study: Analysis, Reporting from the Courtroom, Criticism of the Ruling

Ever since the NPD was founded in 1964 a ban has been debated. The supplement to *Recht und Politik* sheds light on the central issues of the second party-ban proceedings. Its authors ask the radical question: Which is more damaging to German democracy - the existence or the banning of the NPD? In addition to reporting from the courtroom this case study offers analytical criticism of the court's extensive ruling. Further it asks the all-important question: How far should opposition be allowed to go?