THE COMMUNICATIONS OF THE ROMANIAN ARMY IN THE WAR FOR UNIFYING THE NATION. CONCLUSIONS AND LESSONS LEARNED FOR ROMANIAN ART OF WAR

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Abstract: This paper explores the stages of organization and equipping that occurred in the communications of the Romanian army and the creation of the first specialized sub-units, preparation and participation in the War of Independence (1877-1878) with further developments until the First World War.

The study and analysis of the most significant stages of development of the signals troops in the Romanian Armed Forces, both in terms of organizing, equipping and principles of assuring the appropriate communications for various military actions conducted prior, during and after World War I, allowed drawing conclusions and important lessons learned in terms of military art.

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