

IMPACT OF THE GREEK MILITARY JUNTA IN PUBLIC LIFE

(civil and human rights, economy, education, political system etc)

Total undermining of democracy

2 constitutions (1968, 1973) and many laws were legislated to army's and regime's benefit

Abolition of the right of freedom

Soldiers and priests that were against the regime were stripped of their power.

Problematic foreign policy

For the first time after WW II, a totalitarian regime was part of NATO. So Greece was asked to leave. Also the Greek military stopped providing assistance to Cyprus.

Economic downturn

Increase of public debt and exacerbation of income inequality.

Anachronistic educational system

Special emphasis on religion and ancient Greek culture, presented in an anachronistic way.

People with different political ideas were arrested or exiled, with 20000 of them being sent to newly built prisons in isolated islands.

Censorship of media

Content was checked before it was published. A 1912 law allowing the government to ban information willingly was reimposed.

The regime encouraged the coup in Cyprus that led to the Turkish invasion of 1974. Turkey still illegally owns a the northern part of Cyprus.

