

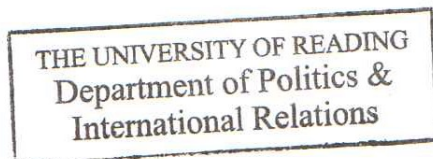


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To who it may concern

I have carefully compared the work published by Andrew Smith Serrano as *German propaganda in military decline, 1943-1945* (Edinburgh: Pentland press, 1999) with the copy of Dr Gerald Kirwin's thesis 'Nazi domestic propaganda and popular response, 1943-45' (submitted to the University of Reading in March 1979) that is held by the department of Politics and International Relations. With the exception of the title page and dedication and very minor copy-editing changes (the largest of which is the re-numbering of footnotes in chapter 5 as the result of footnote '13a' becoming footnote '14'), the two works are identical.

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