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Тезисы доклада:

Constitutions and constitutionalism were the subjects of active debate in the early reign of Alexander I. This paper focuses on the role of constitutionalism in the political thought of Alexander's "Unofficial Committee" (1801-4), particularly the significance of rule of law as an organizing political principle. Viktor Kochubei, Adam Czartoryski, Pavel Stroganov, and Nikolai Novosiltsev all voiced principles such as the separation of powers and independence of the judicial branch, contracts as a basis of social relations, and protection of private property. These principles need better to be understood as facets of constitutional thought, even if the group failed to put principles into practice.