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concept of "government realism" to describe films featuring ordinary

demonstrates the close connection between NFB production policies

people as representative of segments of the population. She

and shifting techniques developed in relation to the evolution of social science from the 1940s to the present and argues that government policy has been the overriding factor in determining the ideology of NFB films. Projecting Canada offers a compelling new perspective on both the development of the documentary form and the role of cultural policy in creating essential spaces for aesthetic production.