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ON THE EXTERNAL HISTORY OF THE WORD VAZHEN
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(Abstract)

As a concept, importance is the recognized attribution of a subject's significance or value. The paper describes the story of the Bulgarian word *vazhen* 'important' which is illustrative of the external history of Slavic languages – Polish, Russian and Bulgarian.

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