ABSTRACT

This article is aimed to explain about the Tension between Turkey and Saudi Arabia relation during the case of Jamal Khashoggi murder incident. Interpreting the bilateral relation between these two countries is quite complicated since both countries relation are highly depended on the situation that happens surround the Middle East region. When it comes to the murder of Jamal Khashoggi is really controvercial since the existence of Jamal Khashoggi personally related to the three countries which are Saudi Arabia, Turkey and United States. Furthermore, this incident is classified as one of a tragic murder that ever hit a Journalist. That is why as a host country where this murder incident took place, Turkey not only think that they are actually have a responsibility in handling this case, but also Turkey seems to be more utilizing this case to gain more benefit especially in the term of power interests. Therefore, this article also aimed to analyze Turkey’s interest behind its intervention towards this case. In order to understand about Turkey’s action towards this case, the author put forward the theory of Foreign Policy according to Jack C. Plano and Roy Olton then explained the interest that Turkey played by use a concept of National Interest according to Morgenthau. The data analyzed in this reasearch was the secondary data using library research method. As the result, this research signified that Turkey’s national interest in this case is based on the Power Interest that aims for two aspects which are 1) to maintain the stability of the Turkish region’s security; and 2) To strengthen Turkey’s strategic position to have a big influence in the middle east as well as to get a media darling from the International Society that concern about the Journalist.

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