ABSTRACT

The murder of Jamal Khashoggi shocked the world. It is not only because of the grisly details of his death but also because of where it took place: inside a consulate, which enjoys special protections under international law. The case has raised questions about the diplomatic immunity offered to diplomats and diplomatic premises, and the risk of abusing the system for unlawful activities and obstructing criminal investigations. The research aims to know about how international law works for the Khashoggi case, especially when diplomatic immunity meets human rights. Human rights cannot be separated from human beings. On the other hand, the right of immunity which is regulated in the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations 1961 and the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations 1963 can be revoked. The study is normative legal research with Statute Approach and Case Approach. By using the qualitative descriptive method, this study elaborates on how human rights prevail diplomatic immunity in the context of the protection of human dignity. The result shows that in the name of human rights, Turkish authority has a right to interfere and doing the investigations in the location of the massacre, the Consulate of Saudi Arabia in Istanbul.

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