

Abstract

The bachelor thesis "*Spratly and Paracel Islands Dispute in the South China Sea*" explores the conflict between Brunei, China, Philippines, Malaysia, Taiwan and Vietnam. The main task of the bachelor thesis is to present each party of the conflict, nature of their claims on the Spratly and Paracel Islands and the development of relations between them. The attention is given to the United States of America, Japan and ASEAN too. They do not have any claim on the islands but they influence the situation in the region. To better understanding legal and theoretical aspects of the conflict are explained. It involves theory of the conflict and security, United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea and Declaration on the South China Sea. The conflict itself is described since the end of the Second World War to the present, the stress is put on the present situation and causes of the tension in the region.