

Abstract

Within the fight against terrorism, conflicts may arise between the interest of the state to maximize the effectiveness of methods of combating terrorism and the international standard of human rights. One of the methods that some states carry out to combat terrorism is targeted killing. Legitimate effort of states to suppress terrorism and may not lead to violations of human rights.

The thesis aims to answer the question: "Is targeted killing a permissible method of combating terrorism, in terms of the lex lata of human rights law, humanitarian law and rules for the use of force between states?"

Regarding the methodology of the thesis I was inspired by the books: "*Vědecká propedeutika pro právníky*" by Viktor Knapp, "*Metodologie vědy*" by František Ochraňa and "*Jak studovat politiku*" by Peter Drulák.

The thesis consists of four chapters. The objective of the first chapter is descriptive.

The first chapter should clarify the terminology and content of key concepts.

The content of the second chapter is an analysis of the legality of targeted killings under human rights law.

The third chapter examines the conditions of legality of targeted killings in humanitarian law.

Chapter Four deals with the admissibility of targeted killings in the light of law of interstate force.

Through an analysis of treaties, custom, jurisprudence and doctrine, this thesis shows in what circumstances targeted killings may be considered as internationally lawful.