

Abstract

„ What is despicable on terrorists is not so much their extremism as intolerance and disregard for others. "

Robert Francis Kennedy

In my opinion this quote best reflects the core of terrorism, which is based on extremism and its supporters that are trying to achieve their goals by using all possible and for us often impossible instruments.

The purpose of this work is to explain terrorism and terrorists in the terms of their behavior and actions and try to reveal the true motives and mindset of advocates the terrorist acts and attempt to find the exemplary and decisive punishment which could potentially have an impact on their future actions.

I decided to investigate this issue after seeing several events connected with the terrorist organization, Islamic State, whose horrific crimes shocked the world such as the murder of US journalist James Foley, attacks in several locations in Paris and the proclamation of Caliphate on the territory of Syria and Iraq.

In the following chapters I will endeavor to outline the terrorism in terms of its definition, typology and specific types of groups. Furthermore, I will explain ways of terrorists' thinking and contemplation and their motives for terrorist acts. Finally, I will attempt to describe the entrance to a terrorist organization and the process of radicalization of fanatical fighters along with the characteristics of suicide attackers.

This work does not specialize on description of all terrorist groups, but particularly concentrates on Islamist militants and suicide bombers because this group currently represents probably the greatest threat to the Western countries and their democratic values.

Between most important reasons why I decided to focus on this topic belonged the recent attacks in Paris, which shook the world and unsettle the spiritual values of people such as security, tolerance and peace, and also migration waves coming from the Arabian peninsula because of war, fights and disturbances that recently initiate Islamic state and an Nusrá, and last but not least the subsequent behavior of refugees in European states.

In conclusion, I point out the impact of the terrorist conduct on laws of democratic countries and penal instruments that have been used in the fight against the terrorist at international and European level together with the possible prevention from these acts in the future.