

Crimes against humanity seen under the view of the Rome Statute

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Abstract

Crimes against humanity appear as one of the most serious forms of human rights violations. Since these acts who consists this crime figure have appeared and continue to appear today, States have seen the need to take concrete steps to punish this crime figure and their perpetrators.

Crimes against humanity constitute one of the greatest challenges of the XX and XXI centuries. Since World War I until the Former Yugoslavia war, this offense has undergone many new approaches, but its foundation has been the same. This criminal offense is punishable in almost all international legislation. This shows the importance of the non-permissibility for the occurrence of such acts.

Many conventions, statutes, protocols have been undertaken for its prevention; we can mention here the Statutes of the International Criminal Tribunals, the Rome Statute, the Geneva Convention, etc. Such efforts have been undertaken by Albania in ratifying these acts and by making them mandatory part of the legal norms. Albania has also made progress by introducing crimes against humanity in the Criminal Code since 1995. It should be stated that Albania recognizes and has implemented into its legislation all the principles outlined in the Rome Statute and other international acts that would prevent and punish the crime.

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