



ملخص البحث باللغة الإنجليزية

" Islamic Cities : Heritage In Danger "

Review International Legislations During Wars

In the last few years, great destructions had occurred to the cultural heritage of the most famous Islamic cities , such as Palestine, Afghanistan , Iraq , etc, however the Hague Convention concerning the protection of the cultural property during armed conflict with its first and second protocols which considered any attack or pillage against the historic buildings or sites , artistic works, or religious places were accepted as war crimes in the statute of the International Criminals Court , additional to the World Heritage Convention which is more generally legal instrument for protecting and maintaining the world cultural heritage , but many of that heritage- specially in the Islamic cities- had been lost .

So the paper aims to analyze and evaluate how active, effective, and success are the international laws and legislations in protecting the cultural heritage during wars or armed conflict , also to review the implementation of its procedures ,legal articles, and punishments in many cases of the Islamic cities , so the paper consists of three main parts :

- Types of crimes against cultural heritage .
- The international conventions and legislations concerning the protection of the world cultural heritage during armed conflicts .
- Review the implementation of the international legislations during wars in three cases : Afghanistan, Iraq, and Palestine .

The paper conclude that it was great international efforts for protecting the cultural heritage during armed conflicts , succeeded in few cases to conserve , reconstruct ,and restore the lasted damaged heritage after wars by co-operating the European countries and the non-governmental organizations , but in the same time, there are also great political powers opposed the international legislations and prevented its implementation . So the nations have to co-ordinate the international experiences and efforts to protect their heritage by taking all precautions against attack and the effects of hostilities ,and more awareness programs about the international conventions and legislations of protecting heritage during wars to the militants and civil societies .

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