

# **The Crime of Cyber Extortion**

## **" Comparative Study "**

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### **Abstract**

This study aimed to spot the light on the electronic blackmail crime in the Palestinian law compared to both of Egyptian and Jordan law.

The study indicated that the electronic blackmail is among the most dangerous and complicated information crimes because of many abuses which has unduly exceeded the other privacy. These crimes differ from state to another based on the environment where they have arose. The study compared between the three laws (Palestinian , Egyptian and Jordan) in their dealing with these crimes . The thing that has enriched the study. As well as, these crimes can't be detected and tracked down easily as it doesn't have any material effect, the judicial investigators are inexperience, and the international cooperation doesn't strong enough to fight this crime. The study has been divided into two chapters in addition to the introductory chapter which addressed the theoretical background and the study conclusion;

The first chapter studied the nature of electronic blackmail crimes as the first subsection addressed the concept, elements, kinds, and motivations of the electronic crimes in order to discover this crime before applying it on the Palestinian, Egyptian and Jordan laws. While the second subsection showed the evidence and investigation ways of the electronic blackmail crimes and its effects on the individual and the society as a whole.

As for the second chapter, it showed the topic of electronic blackmail in the Palestinian law (a comparative study with the Egyptian and Jordan law) in which the first subsection clarified the crime of electronic blackmail in the Palestinian law ( its penalty and difficulties to detect it) through studying the crime with a general background in the Palestinian law and then addressing its penalty as the Palestinian legislator clarified and the difficulties which authorities face to detect it. The second subsection discussed the electronic blackmail in both Jordan and Egyptian laws by studying the crime of each law and the prescribed penalty for it. As well as, the similarities and differences between the penalty in the Palestinian law and the penalty in the Jordan and Egyptian law were clarified.

The researcher used many approaches and theories to get the study problem such as the objective descriptive approach which bases on problem characterization, its nature description, and its reasons. Then, analyzing it to address the criminal responsibility of the electronic blackmail in each of Palestinian, Jordan and Egyptian system. The researcher used also the comparative approach through the comparison between the systems and laws which follow this kind of crimes. The analytical approach is used to know the crimes limits at every system of these systems, some of resources and references to get information and the needed results.

The study results revealed that the electronic blackmail crimes is one of the most dangerous crimes that ruin the value and ethics system of society. The Palestinian electronic laws faced great criticisms claiming that it affects the freedom of opinion and expression but the legislator addressed forcefully these criticisms. In addition, the state organs face problems of proof this crime due to several considerations. Finally, it can be said that the international efforts to combat the electronic blackmail crimes were not at the

required level particularly in the presence of inexperience and lack of knowledge to face these crimes in the right-way that limits its happening.