Crimes Of Threats and Cyber Extortion Through social media: A Comparative Study.

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- **Abstract:** Threats and cyber extortion are considered as novel crimes which threaten the security and safety of Iraqi society, because they infringe the individual's modesty, making him easily violated. Individuals are subjected to psychological and social conflict, as well as pressure and threats from the blackmailer who encourages victims to capitulate via a variety of ways. The current study aims to shed light on the many types of threats and cyber extortion in Iraqi culture, as well as compare and contrast the laws of Iraq, Egypt, and France. The researcher made use of the analytical method, which entailed examining the data he gathered and categorizing it into parts based on its subject to identify issues. In terms of the comparative approach, it was required to refer to the law provisions on criminal culpability for threats and cyber extortion, which were specified in several national and international legislations. The study revealed that cyber extortion is one of the outcomes of technological advancement and the incredible usage of social media; its danger to people and society has grown to the point that several worldwide laws have been passed to condemn it. Despite this, the Iraqi legislature failed to enact appropriate legislation to match the severity of the crime. Unlike the Jordanian or French legislators, the Iraqi criminal legislator recognized the seriousness of the threat crime after its rapid spread as a result of tremendous progress in modern technology. However, unlike the Jordanian or French legislators, the Iraqi legislator has not taken steps toward issuing a special law for information or digital crimes, and it is still a draft law. One of the research's recommendations was to speed up the passage of the Iraqi cybercrime law, which has been pending for more than a year. In Iraq, legislation dedicated to threats and cyber extortion is required. Considering extortion to be one of the crimes against freedom and will, the proposed legislation includes a collection of texts relevant to extortion in one complete text, independent of the issue or form of the threat. Develop training programs aimed at developing the capabilities of workers in the field of combating communications and information crimes if the threat is exercised through it.