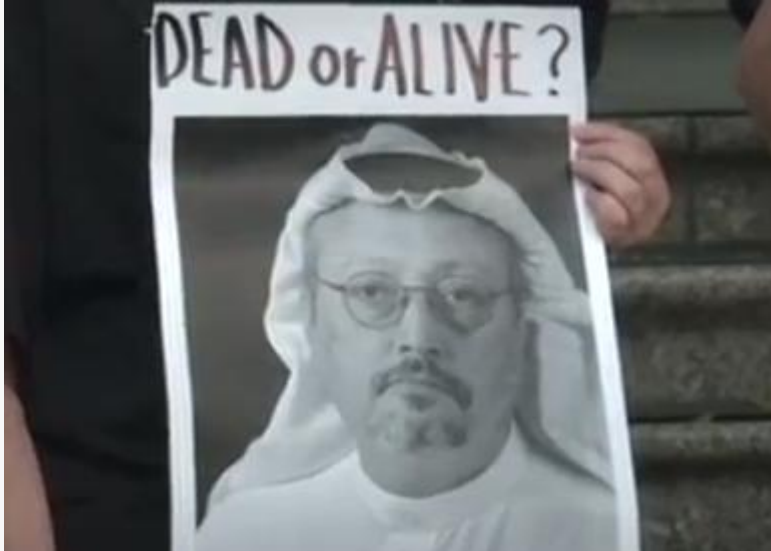


# Journalist Who Criticized Saudi Arabia Is Feared to Have Been Murdered in the Saudi Consulate in Turkey

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Jamal Khashoggi, a columnist for the Washington Post and a critic of Saudi Arabia, entered the Saudi consulate in Istanbul, Turkey last week to try to obtain a document certifying he had divorced his ex-wife. He never emerged because he was murdered inside the embassy, according to the Turkish government that says he recorded his death on his Apple Watch.

Senators Bob Corker, Bob Menendez, Lindsey Graham and Patrick Leahy wrote a letter to the White House invoking the Magnitsky Act, triggering an investigation into the journalist's disappearance; if it is shown that the Saudis murdered the journalist, the US will be forced to impose sanctions and review of its relationship with Saudi Arabia. Senator Rand Paul said that he will introduce a bill that would cut off military aid to Saudi Arabia until the missing Saudi-born dissident journalist Jamal Khashoggi is found safe and well. Paul has made two other attempts in the past to stop the sale of arms to the Saudis.

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Khashoggi, who writes opinion columns for the Washington Post, was last seen entering the Saudi consulate in Istanbul last Tuesday and Turkish officials have claimed that he was **possibly murdered** while inside the building, before being dismembered and then secretly driven away.

Speaking to Fox News, Paul said the incident was "*just one more reason*" why the United States should be wary of selling arms to Saudi Arabia. "*If they have the ability and*

*also the audacity to go into another country and kill a journalist, these aren't the kind of people maybe that we want to be selling arms to," he said.*

The Kentucky senator said that while there *"may not be proof"* yet that the Saudis had killed Khashoggi, there is still *"enough to indicate that they were involved"* in his disappearance.

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