

## **Abstract**

*Border problems always get attention from every country in the world, and also it become an attention for Indonesia. In border region, for example Indonesia with one of border region, South Mindanao, the Philippines there are many problems. But actually the people in that region especially have a protection problem. On October 2013, they are 5335 Indonesian illegal citizen in South Mindanao, the Philippines. Moreover, on January 2013, there are 9012 Indonesian illegal citizen but after Indonesian Consulate General of Republic Indonesia, Davao City, the Philippines does a census in fact there are about 3677 Indonesian illegal citizen are not registered or not documented and it's mean that they are illegal. Therefore Indonesia in this case is Indonesian Consulate General of Republic Indonesia, Davao City, the Philippines does an effort to solve the problem with legalize legal status of Indonesian refugee illegal in South Mindanao, the Philippines.*

*To legalize the legal status of Indonesian illegal citizen in South Mindanao, the Philippines, Consulate General of Republic Indonesia, Davao City, the Philippines do legalization. The legalization is in various forms, there are Alien Certificate of Registration (ACR), Passport, Surat Perjalanan Laksana Paspor (SPLP) or a document like passport that use just for one times, and Identification Electronic Card (E-Card or I-Card). Beside legalization, there are also have naturalization (being the Philippines citizen), repatriation (come back to Indonesia), and deportation (repatriation by the Philippines government). With those efforts, Indonesian government hopes that all Indonesian citizens in South Mindanao, the Philippines will feel safety and not statelessness.*

*This study aims to know why Indonesian government attempts to legalize the legal status of Indonesian illegal citizen in South Mindanao, the Philippines, and what are the efforts from Consulate General of Republic Indonesia, Davao City, the Philippines. This study uses qualitative methodology because the data is taken from book, journal, and website and also field study, in this case is doing research in Consulate General of Republic Indonesia, Davao City, the Philippines.*

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