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ABSTRAKSI

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Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui bentuk-bentuk kebijakan Amerika Serikat dibawah kepemimpinan Donald Trump di kawasan Laut China Selatan serta dampak kebijakan tersebut bagi kawasan Laut China Selatan. Pada penelitian ini, penulis menggunakan metode deskriptif, dengan teknik pengumpulan data berupa telaah pustaka yang bersumber dari jurnal, buku-buku, situs internet resmi, dan juga laporan yang berkaitan dengan penelitian ini.

Hasil penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa ada dua kebijakan utama militer Amerika Serikat terhadap Laut China Selatan dibawah kepemimpinan Donald Trump, yakni Freedom of Navigation yang berkaitan dengan upaya Amerika Serikat untuk menuntut adanya kebebasan navigasi di kawasan Laut China Selatan dan Indo-Pacific Free and Open Policy sebagai upaya menjadikan Indo-Pasifik sebagai kawasan stabil yang bebas dan terbuka serta hidup berdampingan dalam perdamaian.

Adapun dampak yang ditimbulkan dari kebijakan militer Amerika Serikat terhadap Laut China Selatan dibawah administrasi Donald Trump, yakni adanya penurunan ketegangan yang terjadi di Kawasan Laut China Selatan, dalam hal ini terutama antara Tiongkok dan negara-negara yang ikut serta mengklaim Laut China Selatan sebagai wilayah teritorinya. Meskipun begitu, kebijakan-kebijakan ini memberikan dampak yang berbanding terbalik terhadap hubungan Amerika Serikat dan Tiongkok, yakni membuat tensi kedua negara ini semakin meningkat.

Kata Kunci : Kebijakan Militer, Amerika Serikat, Donald Trump, Laut China Selatan

ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this study is to determine the forms of United States policies under the leadership of Donald Trump in the South China Sea area and the impact of these policies on the South China Sea area. In this study, the authors used a descriptive method, with data collection techniques in the form of literature reviews sourced from journals, books, official internet sites, and reports related to this research.

The results of this study indicate that there are two central US military policies toward the South China Sea under the leadership of Donald Trump, namely Freedom of Navigation which is related to the United States' efforts to demand freedom of navigation in the South China Sea area and the Indo-Pacific Free and Open Policy as efforts to make the Indo-Pacific a stable region that is free and open and coexists in peace.

As for the impact of the United States military policy in the South China Sea under Donald Trump's administration, the South China Sea area has decreased, in this case, especially between China and countries that also claim the South China Sea as their own. However, this policy has the opposite effect on relations between the United States and China, namely increasing tensions between the two countries.

Keywords: Military Policy, United States, Donald Trump, South China Sea

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