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This study investigates the application of Social Actor Representation as part of Critical Discourse Analysis on Twitter. The framework proposed by van Leeuwen (2008) is the key to understand on how a person or group of people even ideology depicted in particular discourse. The focus of this research is social actor on President Donald Trump's tweet which talked about some issues, including politic. Therefore, the reseracher wanted to analyze on how President Trump used particular strategies in writing his opinion over the issues. The researcher also invites the reader to know how simple words or tweets actually brings some ideas implicitly and explicitly.

This research applied descriptive qualitative as the research design in order to provide clear and deep analysis of the data. The data were fourteen tweets of President Donald Trump posted on January to April 2018. The data were analyzed through several stages. First was reading the whole data, it also supported by some online news and sources to understand the intended meaning of strategy used. Second was analyzing the discourse based on van Leewen's framework. Third was classifying the data to answer research question. It would be inclusion if the doer is clearly stated, while exclusiom when the social actor is hidden. Lastly, drawing conclusion based on the results of the reserach.

Based on the data analysis, the findings revealed that President Donald Trump prefer using inclusion strategy to adopting exclusion strategy. The social actor representation mostly clearly stated within the text which relevant to the character of the president with no phatic communion. He used those strategies by having intended meaning as well. For example, attract netizen's attention, stereotype and support opinion. From fourteen datum analyzed, it can be concluded that Trump has successfully used his power as the president of US to influence netizen about his politic perspective and preference through the tweet.

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Kata Kunci: *Representasi Aktor Sosial, Twitter, Presiden Donald Trump.*

Studi ini mengkaji penerapan Representasi Aktor Sosial sebagai bagian q dari Analisis Wacana Kritis di Twitter. Teori yang dikemukakan oleh van Leeuwen (2008) adalah kunci untuk memahami bagaimana seseorang atau kelompok bahkan ideologi direpresentasikan dalam wacana tertentu. Fokus dari penelitian ini adalah aktor sosial pada tweet Presiden Donald Trump yang menanggapi berbagai masalah, termasuk politik. Oleh karena itu, peneliti ingin menganalisis tentang bagaimana Presiden Trump menggunakan strategi khusus dalam menulis pendapatnya tentang isu-isu tersebut. Peneliti juga mengajak pembaca untuk mengetahui bagaimana kata atau tweet sederhana sebenarnya menyimpan beberapa gagasan yang diungkapkan secara implisit dan eksplisit.

Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif untuk memberikan analisis data yang jelas dan mendalam. Data terdiri dari empat belas tweet Presiden Donald Trump yang diunggah pada bulan Januari hingga April 2018. Data analisis melalui beberapa tahap. Pertama, membaca seluruh data yang ditemukan dengan beberapa sumber berita demi memgetahui makna tersirat. Kedua, menganalisis wacana berdasarkan teori yang dikemukakan oleh van Leeuwen. Ketiga mengklasifikasikan data untuk menjawab rumusan masalah. Tahapan terakhir, menarik kesimpulan berdasarkan hasil penelitian.

Temuan yang didapat dari studi mengungkapkan bahwa Presiden Donald Trump lebih memilih menggunakan *inclusion strategy* daripada *exclusion strategy*. Social aktor disebutkan dengan jelas di teks sama halnya dengan karakter presiden tanpa banyak basa-basi. Trump menggunakan strategi tersebut dengan memiliki tujuan tertentu seperti menarik perhatian netizen, menstereotipe dan mendukung opini. Dari empat belas data yang dianalisa maka dapat disimpulkan bahwa Trump berhasil menggunakan kekuasaannya sebagai presiden Amerika untuk mempengaruhi netizen tentang pandangan dan kecenderungan politik melalui tweetnya.

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مستخلص البحث

أنوار، عفة عمليا، ٢٠١٨. الفاعل الإجتماعي الذي قدّمه رئيس البلاد دونل ترومب في تويتر. بحث. قسم لغة الإنجليزية وأدبها، كلية الإنسانية، جامعة مولانا مالك إبراهيم الإسلامية الحكومية مالانق. المشرف: الدكتور بسري الماجستير

الكلمة الرئيسية: تمثيل الفاعل الإجتماعي، تويتر، رئيس البلاد دونل ترومب

هذا البحث يبحث عن تطبيق تمثيل الفاعل الإجتماعي الذي يكون من تحليل الحديث النقدي في تويتر. وأما النظر من van Leeuwen(٢٠٠٨) فهو مفتاح للفهم عن كيف يكون الشخص او المجتمع بل العقيدة ممثّلا في الحديث المعينة. وتركيز هذا البحث هو الفاعل الإجتماعي في تويت رئيس البلاد دونل ترومب الذي ردّ المسائل ودخل فيها مسئلة السياسة. فلذالك، أرادت الباحثة ان تحلّل عن كيف كان ذالك الرئيس يستعمل الإستراتيجية الخاصة في كتابة أراءه عن تلك الموضوعات. وكذالك دعت الباحثة القارئين لمعرفة كيف كانت الكلمة او تويت البسيطة تكتم عدد الفكرة الذي عبّرها ضمنيا كان وصريحيا.

ويستعمل منهج البحث بمقاربة الكيفي الوصفي لإعطاء تحليل البيانات الوضيحة والعميقة. والبيانات تحتوي من أربعة عشر تويت من ذالك الرئيس الذي ينشر فيه منذ شهر يناير حتى ابريل٢٠١٨. تلك البيانات يحصل من خلال المرحلات. أولا، قرأتْ كل البيانات الموجودة من مصادر الأخبار لمعرفة المفاهيم الضمنية. ثانيا، تحليل الحديث على حسب النظر من van Leeuwen . ثالثا، تفصيل البيانات لجواب أسئلة البحث. والمرحلة الأخيرة، يلخص على ما كان في نتائج البحث.

النتائج في هذا البحث يبين أن رئيس البلاد دونل ترومب أكثر الإختيار في استعمال استراتيجي inclusion من استراتيجي exclusion. الفاعل الإجتماعي يذكر واضحا في النص يساوي شخصيته بالمباشرة. وغرضه في استعماله للإنتباه من مستخدمي الإنترنيت والتعميم ودفاعة

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the background of the study, problem of the study, objective of the study, significances of the study, scope and limitation, and definition of key terms, then research method that includes research design, research instrument, data sources, data collection and data analysis.

1.1 Background of the Study

Social actor representation is an important part of Critical Discourse Analysis. By analyzing the social actor representation, readers can understand on how a person or group of people and even ideology is written. According to van Leeuwen's (2008) theory, social actor representation is divided into two, exclusion and inclusion. People do not only know the information delivered by the writer, but also understand the stance of the writer. Fowler (1991) argues that language used may represent values, ideologies and implicit meaning. In other words, discourse becomes representation from point of view of the author.

The researcher chooses the social actor representation as the object of the study since it can explore types of strategies adopt by certain writer in representing a particular person or a group of people through word or phrase they used over the certain issue. The concept of representation concerns on how some objects or phenomena are depicted. Besides, representation is the meaning production from the

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opinions or concepts which produced through language. In short, by analyzing language used properly, it can be identified on how language influence readers' mindset.

People obtain information from the media to shape their mindset and build their stance. Then, they make decision that usually influenced by what they read. The term media can be defined as something that spread news and information toward people. Forms of media are magazine, newspapers, journals and other printed media. Then the internet is slowly transforming a media in this era. Nowadays, people do not only get information from the internet, but it also becomes a media for communicating with their friends, even people all over the world which is called by social media. It can be in the form of Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Path, and many more.

In this study, the researcher examines some issues that are relevant in the discourse analysis of social actor representation and about Donald Trump's tweet in particular. The researcher chooses the research subject under three considerations. First, twitter will be relevant field for social actor representation features. Second, the researcher needs to focus on the discourse properties that express or imply opinions and tweets of Donald Trump toward some issues, events, or people. Last, tweet of President Donald Trump is always contemporary toward the issue since his opinion appears almost every day in twitter.

Twitter has become one of the most influential social media for thirteen years. Twitter has proven its existence in recent years as a platform for breaking news. The

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simplicity of the site makes the user easy and like to write anything directly then the opinion, information and comments will spread. One more important parts of Twitter is 'Hashtags.' The trending topic or the viral ones of the day will be listed. It eases the users to know the actual information quickly.

Twitter is used for expressing ideology, people are free to write or express their feeling, idea, and opinion. People may also response directly to the tweet itself. They can agree, disagree or even support toward the opinion. Trump actively posts his opinion in twitter almost every day over various issues. As the president of United States, his thought considered as something big to influence society. In social media, most of people generally will not say something directly. However, as we know that Trump often raise his controversial statement in public. For example, the tweet of Donald Trump over the heated rhetoric issue creates different point of view and opinion through the number of retweets that reveals on twitter. President Donald Trump tweeted on Saturday, 7th of October 2017 marks 25 years of agreement with North Korea have failed by saying "only one thing will work". Since the social actor mentioned was not specified, it created various speculation from netizen who actually the actor was. Therefore, it would be very interesting to analyze others tweet of him whether President Donald Trump does the same or not in social media.

1.2 Problem of the Study

Based on the background of the study above, the problem will be discussed in this study is formulated through this question

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"How are social actor represented by President Donald Trump on Twitter?"

1.3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the research question mentioned above, the researcher aims to find out the empirical data of social actor strategies revealed and the way social actor represented by President Donald Trump on Twitter.

1.4 Scope and Limitation

The researcher focuses this study on examining the social actor represented by President Donald Trump on Twitter related to the certain issues. The tweet to be analyzed should be contemporary that showed inclusion and exclusion strategies. The researcher will investigate the issues from January up to April 2018 since this range of times provides interesting issues to be analyzed, especially politic. Because of the limited time, the researcher only investigated some tweets from each month. It will be analyzed by using van Leeuwen's social actor representation framework.

1.5 Significances of the Study

This research is expected to give a theoretical and practical contributions. Theoretically, this research will give empirical data of social actor representation by using van Leeuwen's (2008) framework. It is also expected that this research will be useful for the English Letters Department students of Universitas Islam Negeri Maulana Malik Ibrahim Malang as linguistic reference which will lead them to comprehend linguistics works, focusing on social actor representation as a part of

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critical discourse analysis. While practically, readers can comprehend the issues being posted and on how social actror represented by President Donald Trump on Twitter.

1.6 Definition of Key Terms

The definition of important terms are given as follows in order to get general overview and avoid misunderstanding.

1. Social actor representation : critical discourse analysis that views on how social actor both individual or group doing social practices represented in discourse. .
2. Critical discourse analysis : It is concerned to investigate on how ideology shaped by power relation.
3. Donald Trump : the president of United States of America, one of the most influential president who actively uses Twitter.
4. Twitter : an online news and social media which users can post his idea called as tweet. They are listed and public.

1.7 Research Method

1.7.1 Research Design

This research applied descriptive qualitative approach because of the researcher describes the research problem through description and explanation. The data is in the form of words, clauses or sentences which involves themes, pattern and interpretation. The researcher analyze and interpret the data collected

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to create comprehending of the research subject. Descriptive research is applied in this research because by using this method, the research would be richly described. Thus, it will create clear and deep understanding. The researcher invites the reader to know how simple words or tweets actually brings some ideas, opinion or argumentation implicitly and explicitly.

1.7.2 Research Instrument

The research Instruments used in this research is observation non-participant, the researcher collected, investigated and analyzed the data through account @realDonaldTrump. Simply, it has no intervention and attempt to manipulate data. Therefore, the result truly represents of what actually happens. Observation non-participant allows the researcher to have the objectivity or neutrality and careful analysis. The researcher will analyze some tweets of President Donald trump toward some issues that have been chosen by the researcher.

1.7.3 Data Sources

The data were obtained from the tweet of President Donald Trump posted on January up to April 2018 from the only one official twitter account, @realDonaldTrump. All his posts will be available by accessing in https://twitter.com/realDonaldTrump?=en. However, the researcher will analyze three tweets from each month which has exclusion and inclusion strategies. The researcher believes that the sources being investigated are trusted and familiar with society.

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1.7.4 Data Collection

The very first step of data collection is finding and collecting tweets of President Donald Trump posted from January up to April 2018. Secondly, the researcher selected several data from the huge number of data collected in four months. It means the data chosen should create different interpretation toward followers or readers . Lastly, the researcher analyzed the data by using Van Leeuwen's framework of social actor representation.

1.7.5 Data Analysis

The data were analyzed by these steps. First, the researcher read the data which have been found for several times to get general overview about the issues being posted by Prsident Donald Trump. Second, the researcher tried to comprehend the issues what was actually happened by reading some online news or sources. This part of stage helped the researcher to understand the intended meaning of the strategy used in every tweet. Third, the researcher tried to classify and identify on how social actor represented by President Donald Trump on Twitter by uisng van Leeuwen's framework to answer the research question. Fourth, Lastly, the researcher drew conclusion toward the result of the research.

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CHAPTER II

REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

This chapter consists of such aspect related to literatures that concern with the theoretical framework include the explanation of critical discourse analysis, actor representation, Twitter, and biography of president Donald Trump.

2.1 Critical Discourse Analysis

In this chapter, the writer explained the concept and theory which is used to analyze the subject of the research. According to Fairclough and Wodak (1997) language is a social practice. The analysis and study of both spoken and written discourse explore the sources of power, dominance, and inequality. This study adopts one of the theoretical orientation of Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA). It is used to describe, interpret, and explain the relationship between language and society. Furthermore, Van Dijk (1986) explained that the central purpose of CDA is critically analyzed those who are in power, those who are responsible, and those who have chance to deal with social practices.

Blommaert (2005) believes that the scope of critical discourse analysis is the effects of power in discourse of language use. CDA focuses on the use of language in contexts and its relations with power and ideology. CDA tries to find out the answers on how powerful groups control society discourse. It means, it will identify on how discourse can influence even control action and mind of minority group and the

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impacts are. For instance, politicians control public discourses and influence opinions of the society.

Fairclough and Wodak (1997) stated some basic principles of CDA which summarize the present study: (1) deals with social problems, (2) power relation are discursive, (3) discourse constitute society and culture, (4) ideological work, (5) historical, (6) relation between discourse and society, (7) interpretative and (8) social function.

2.2 Social Actor Representation

A systematic critical discourse analysis study is needed to conduct the research, then framework proposed by van Leeuwen (2008) is applied. This framework provides the researcher with broad outlook towards the social actor and social practices. The representation include or exclude social actors to portray the interest and purpose of the writer to the reader. There are two strategies that exist in the framework of this theory, they are exclusion and inclusion.

1. Exclusion

   Exclusion means the writer omit the certain actor in te text. Exclusion does not leave traces in the discourse, but exclude both the social actors and social practices. The main difference between suppression and backgrounding is on how they mention ornot in the representation (van Leeuwen, 2008: 29).

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a. Suppression

The text has no reference to social actors while their actions are available within the discourse. Then, van Leeuwen (2008) calls this kind of exclusion as radical exclusion. The realization of suppression can be identified in several ways:

a) Non-finite clauses

Van Leeuwen proposed that suppression can be viewed through non-finite clause which has function as a grammatical participant. For example, the infinitival clause "to maintain this policy is hard" by using infinitival clause 'to mantain this policy' it allows the social actors to be omitted from the text.

b) Passive agent deletion

This part of realization is used to omit social actors from the reperesentation. By omitting the the real actors, the sentence try to lead the readers' attention into the other one (victim).

c) Nominalizations and process nouns

Nominalization and process noun have the same function with passive agent deletion, it is used to hide the certain actor in a text. For example in the sentence 'the level of support for stopping immigration altogether was at a post-ar high' (van Leeuwen, 2008:30) by using the word which is nominalized, the actors who support are excluded from the text.

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b. Backgrounding:

Backgrounding is the exclusion strategy that leaves traces in the representation. Social actors may not be mentioned directly to the actions in the same clause, but it can be inferred in the next clause. In the case of backgrounding, they are not so much excluded as deemphasized, pushed into the background. There are two realizations background social actors that has role in reducing the certain social actors.

a) Infinite clause –ing

By using infinite clause, the author tries to delay the appearance of the social actor in the text. The infinite clause will be the beginning of the sentence, then the social actor will be mention after.

b) Infinitival clause to-

The function of infinitifal clause to- has the same way as using infinitival clause ing-, the actor appears in the next clause. For instance ‘to maintain this policy is hard.’ (van Leeuwen, 2008:30)

c) Paratactic clauses

Paratactic clause allows the writer to exclude the social actor in the text, then it will be mentioned in the next same sentence.

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2. Inclusion

Inclusion strategy is the process of representing the social actor of a certain action directly within the discourse. Inclusion is divided into several subcategories based on Van Leeuwen's (2008) framework as follow:

a. Activation and Passivation

Social actors could be represented to have dynamic and significant roles or be the receiver of an activity in activation. In addition, the linguistic realization of activation can be realized in several ways. First, 'participation' it is about the grammatical roles, the active role of the social actor in question is mostly foregrounded. Second, activation can be identified by 'premodification' and 'postmodifucation' of normalization or process noun.

While passivation occurs when social actors are depicted as the receiver of activity. Passivation should have needs further distinction, it can be in the form of be subjected or beneficialized. Subjected social actors are depicted as objects in the representation, for example, as objects of exchange (immigrants "taken in" in return for the skill or money they bring). Beneficialized could give positive and negative of the action.

Subjection can be analyzed by several ways. First, 'participation' it happens when the the passivated social actor is goal in a material in a material process, phenomenon in a mental process, or carrier in an effective attribute process (Haliday, 1985:43) as cited in Van Leeuwen (2008). Second, it can be identified by 'Circumstantialization' through a prepositonal phrase

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with, for instance, against where actors are passivated. Then, it can be viewed by 'possesivation' it happens in the form of a prepositional phrase with of postmodifying a nominalization or process noun. While beneficialization, according to Halliday (1985) could be realized by participation that which the beneficialized participant is the receiver of social process (van leeuwen, 2008).

b. Personalizaton and Impersonalization

Representational choices which personalized social actors, represent them as a human beings that identified as personal or possessive pronouns, proper names, or noun and sometimes adjectives whose meaning includes into the human features. Personalization could be realized in two ways, determination and indetermination.

a) Determination happens when the social identity is specified.
b) Indetermination happens when social actors are portrayed as unspecified as individual or groups. Indetermination can be identified by indefinite pronouns like somebody, someone, some, some people used in nominal function. The writer treats the identity as irrelevant to the reader.

Determination needs further distinction into several sub categories, they are association and dissociation, differentiation and indifferentiation, categorization and nomination, as well as single determination and overdetermination.

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- Association refers to groups formed by social actors or groups of social actors which are never mentioned clearly in the text. For instance, *they believed that the immigration program existed for the benefit of politicians, bureucrats and the ethnic minorities, not for Australian as a whole* (van Leeuwen, 2008: 38). Besides, there will be dissociation, it occurs when the association is unformed within the discourse, for instance *we have announced that we stand ready for a serious abd free debate with the American statesmen* (Jayanti, 2011: 64).
- Differentiation differentiates an individual social actor or agroup of social actors from a similar actor or group of social actor, creating the difference between one another.
- Categorization happens when the social actors are depicted in a unique way, identity function and the identity being nominated by others. However, nomination could be identified by proper noun. It is divided into some subcategories as formalization (sure name only, with or without honorifiers), semi-formalization (given name and sure name) and the last is informalization (given name only).
- Overdetermination occurs when social actors are depicted for having important roles since they participate intensely in more than one social practices. Van Leewuen divides overdetermination into several subcategories. First, inversion of overdetermination, it means social actors are connected into two practices. Second, symbolization happens when fictional social actor or group of social actor portrayed social actor or

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group of people in nonfictional activities. Third, Connotation that could be identified when a unique determination stands for a classification or fumctonalization. Then, distillation becomes the last realization overdetermination strategy by abstraction and generalization.

In addition, the writer's choice between the use of genericization and specification is one of the important factors in social actor representation. Specification happens when the social actors are depicted as group which specific and identifiable actor, for instance, *staff in both playgroups and nurseries expresses willingness to supply information if asked and regretted that their opinions were not valued more* (van Leeuwen, 2008: 36). In addition, genericization could be identified by the plural term without article. The differentiation between specification and genericization could be identified on how the social ctors are depicted with different area of the press. Furthermore, specification has two strategies, they are indivualization and assimilation. Individualization may be identified by singularity or individual term while asimilation may be viewed by plurality or group of people.

Impersonalization occurs when social actor are depicted by other means like concrete or abstract nouns whose meanings do not include the semantic feature of human. Impersonalization has two divisons to be differentiated, they are abstraction and objectivation.

a) Abstraction accurs when social actors are portrayed by quality assigned in the discourse. The example of this division like black,

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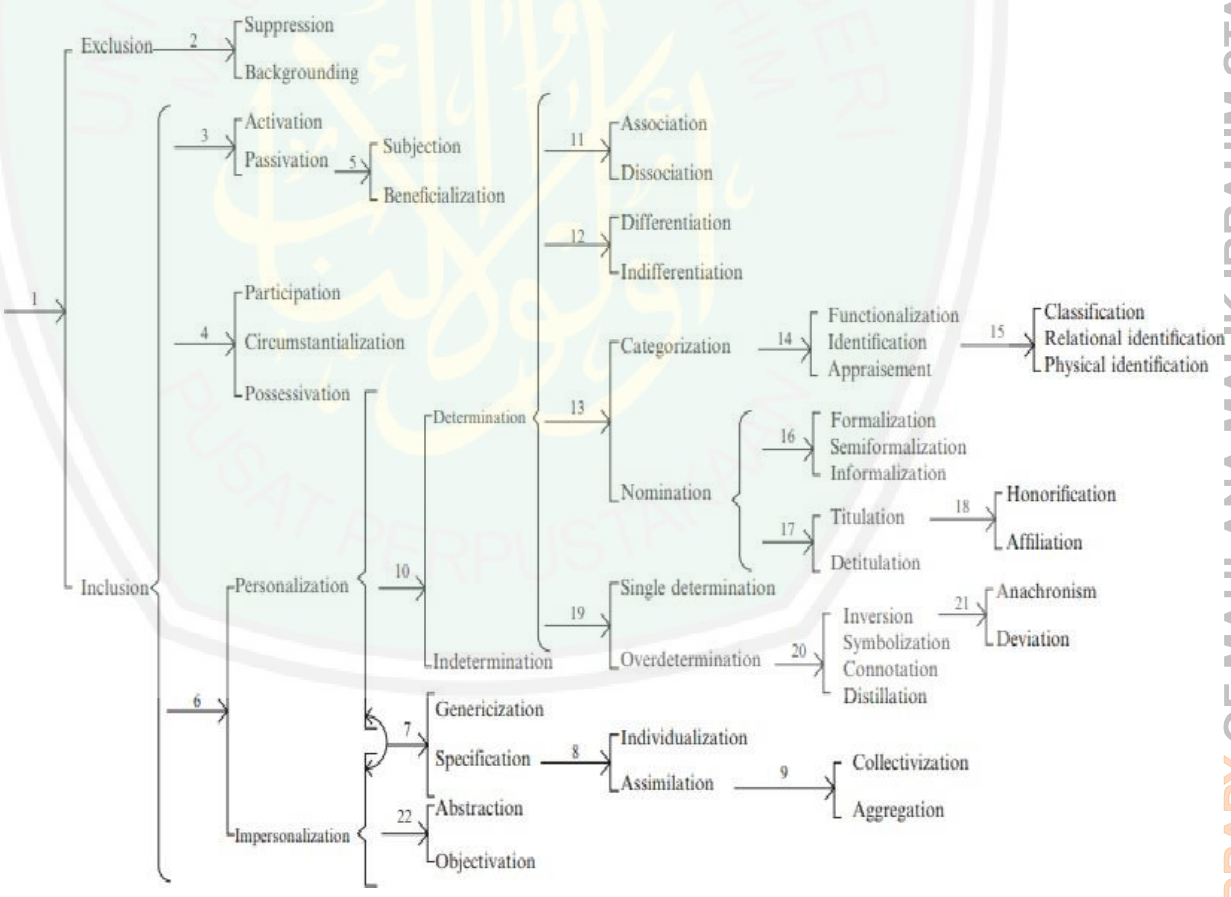
unskilled, poor, illegal, muslim and many more. They are linked to the term of problem.

b) Objectivation could be analyzed when social actors are portrayed to thing or place closely associated with person or action which they are represented as being engaged. In other words, objectiviation could be identified by metonymical reference.

The following diagram is the complete divisions of social actor representation network proposed by Van Leeuwen (2008: 52).



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2.3 Twitter

Social media is an important element of our daily life since it offers the interconnected all over the world. Social media allows people to communicate of any kind information which is quickly accessible on the internet. The number of social media users always increases, the activity of people today always involve social media. Therefore, it becomes very popular in our daily life. By using social media, people will have chance to deliver their opinions toward the public and involve in conversation and discussion.

People use social media in every day life for several reasons. First, the need of interaction and connection with many people. People always need to communicate with their friend instead of limited time. The existence of twitter eases people for having conversation without being face to face. Second, people use social media to learn different perspectives of events, topics and issues then get knowledge as well for their needs.

Twitter is a kind of social media which allows users to post and read short public messages called tweets (Mollett, Moran, & Dunleavy, 2011). Tweets are limited to no more than 140 characters. It can include links to images, videos and many more online material. People may use Twitter easily anytime and anywhere by laptop or smart phone as long as having internet connection. Furthermore, by following certain sources and people, the user can explore the feeds related to their interest, it can be academic and personal. The user of twitter follow their idol, celebrities, musiciansa and friend as well. Thus, they will connected as feeling and

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action betweenone another. Twitter is a social-networking that also brings information to users. In short, Twitter has important role to influence people's opinion and perspective.

2.4 Biography of President Donald Trump

Donald J. Trump is the 45th President of the United States of America. He believes that United States will achieve more in every sector by his leadership like ever before. Therefore, he raised his voice by slogan campaign as 'Make America Great Again,' Immelman (2017) stated that Donald J. Trump is the exact definition of the American success story. During his life he has organized and achieved successfull business. He also becomes great entrepreneur, especially in his interests of real estate, sports, and entertainment.

Donald Trump announced his candidacy on 16th of June 2015 after seventeen Republican contenders suspended their campaigns, then he accepted the nomination for President of the United States in July of 2016. President Trump won the election on 8th of November 2016 in the largest electoral college and officially become president of US.

2.5 Previous Studies

The previous study has successfully found the representation of male and female social actors in the ILI English Series. Sadeghi and Maleki (2006) examined textbooks as important parts of all educational systems of today which can create people readiness to face modern era. Equality is the key for better world, and this

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kind of study of male and female social actors in textbooks can decrease inequality from societies through textbook. Another previous study, Hamrita (2006) investigated the critical discourse analysis of the representation of Islamists on Facebook pages in post-revolution Tunisia. Motivated by the newly acquired freedom of speech, these two groups who used to co-exist in a "supposedly" peaceful atmosphere in the Pre-Revolution period have turned to voice their views about each other not only in broadcast settings but also in virtual social media spaces like "Facebook". These views seem to reveal the conflicting relationship of the two groups.

From both previous studies, the researcher will give the new significance by explored the social actor representation reveals in Donald Trump's twitter analyzed with social actors representation proposed by Van Leeuwen's (2008) as the aim of the study. Besides, social media play a big role in every aspect of life, including opinion. Therefore, the researcher tries to find on how the representation of social actor that reveals on Donald Trump's tweet shape the response of people.

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CHAPTER III

FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

This chapter provides the research findings which are discussed in the following subchapter. The whole data of this research are not presented in this chapter. In addition, parts which are analyzed here only certain tweets which can create different perspectives among readers, while the rest are going to be displayed on data tabulation.

3.1 Research Findings

Datum 1

The data presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Wednesday, 14 January 2018.

"I, as President, want people coming into our country who are going to help us become strong and great again, people coming in through a system based on MERIT. No more Lotteries! #AMERICAFIRST"

In datum 1 above, President Trump clearly stated that social actor being exposed in his tweet is himself. It is clear enough in the very beginning of the sentence, Trump adopted inclusion strategy. The identity of social actor is mentioned specifically in the tweet. Furthermore, the author used **personalization** strategy in delivering his idea. The existence of this strategy could be identified by the term of super power identity as the following sentence; *I, as president, want people coming*

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into our country who are going to help us become strong and great again. The author wanted to show his honorific identity as the tool to invite society which called as **nomination**.In this case, the function of categorization helps the social actors to support what they do.

Furthermore, he provided the term MERIT which means the election process of the government based on their ability and capability to perform a job. As someone who has power in the country, Trump use his identity to convince netizens that they have to choose wisely since Trump avoided people who are not good at work. In other words, he only allowed the candidate who have great track record to be in the country and support every decision he makes for the sake of US betterment. Then in the last sentence as *No more Lotteries,* he actuallly wanted to expose about the visa issue. There will be no lottery visa which people from any countries could be beneficial taking part in America. In conclusion, the use of personalization startegy to strongly reduce the number of immigration especially from India to the US.

Datum 2

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Friday, 26 January 2018. Trump attended the event, the world economic forum in Switzerland. He promoted manufacturing activity in the United States during his first year of his leadership.

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"Heading back from a very exciting two days in Davos, Switzerland. Speech on America's economic revival was well received. Many of the people I met will be investing in the U.S.A.! #MAGA"

In datum 2, the author applied exclusion strategy. the strategy used is suppression. The linguistic realization of this **suppression** strategy is passive agent deletion. The author tried to attract the readers' attention into *'speech on America's economic revival',* Trump actually might say Word leaders receive the speech on America's economic revival. By presenting the active form, the social actor 'word leader' is clearly mentioned. On the contrary, by using passsivation strategy the actor is omitted. Eventhough, in the next sentence Trump also stated the social actor *'many people',* but it can not be categorized into specific term which make people understand who the doer are. People will only focus on that term. Trump used this strategy to stereotyped the opinion that everyone in his side to support him, there will be no excuse to deny his speech.

In conclusion, President Trump tried to drive the readers' attention by claiming many companies and world leader are interested on having investment in US. Therefore, people will believe that having an investment in US is a good choice to support him realizing the Great America. In the very last part of tweet, he also used hashtag to attract netizen knowing what actually the intention of investment in US. Everything he does is for the improvement of the country.

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Datum 3

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Friday, 26 January 2018.

"Great bilateral meeting with President @Alain_Berset of the Swiss Confederation – as we continue to strengthen our great friendship. Such an honor tobe in Switzerland."

In datum 3 presented above, president Trump used social actor representation strategies in delivering his thought over the event that just already happened. It could be observed through the way Trump represented the existence of the social actor, he is the president of Switzerland. The exact doer is mentioned within discourse without any covers. The use of this strategy in this tweet aims to make followers directly know the social actor being talked. The existence of this strategy is called as **nomination of inclusion strategy**. The social actor nominated as president of the certain country. Moreover, Trump also mentioned his account by saying *Great bilateral meeting with President @Alain_Berset of the Swiss Confederation.* It allows the followers of him go to his account by only clcking the tags.

Besides, president Trump also applied another kind of strategy since he wanted to show the social actor being talked as the active in contributing the certain activity. It can be observed through this sentence *we continue to strengthen our great friendship*. President Trump tried to portray that the president of Switzerland as the influential person of the country has good relation with him. The meeting talked about the tax dispute between two countries involving Swiss Banks that should be

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solved to give benefit for both countries. The terms *stregthen* in this tweet was actually has implicit meaning. Trump claimed that he has been created 2.4 million jobs which means decrease the number of jobless. Thus, both country represented as dynamic actor which called as **activation strategy**. The bilateral relation consider as beneficial relation since both countries will take its own benefit.

Datum 4

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Sunday, 28 January 2018. This tweet was actually also part of his speech as the proof of economy improvement in USA.

"Our economy is better than it has been in many decades. Businesses are coming back to America like never before. Chrysler, as an example, is leaving Mexico and coming back to the USA. Unemployment is nearing record lows. We are on the right track!"

In datum 4 presented above, the writer presented the existence of the social actor by inclusion stategy since the social actor of particular action presented within the discourse. The researcher is going to analyze one by one starting from the first sentence. The author applies **impersonalization** strategy, it signed by the use of abstract noun whose meaning does not include in the semantic features of human..It has been in many decades are referred to by means of the term 'better' in the following sentence: *Our ecomonmy is better than it has been in many decades*. This tweet was actually also spoken at Women's event in Washington, President Donald Trump pointed to this good news as proof of his policies. Therefore, it can be

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concluded that social actor being spoken by the author is Obama, exactly during his leadership era. The writer wanted to prove that the economy in his era increases than Obama's era.

In addition, this tweet also applies **activation** strategy. Chrysler as the social actor represented as the active, dynamic forces in activity. Chrysler represented as the doer of the activity. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles US LCC (commonly known as Chrysler) is the American subsidiary which sells automobiles, commercial vehicles and automotive parts. In this case, the author wanted to show one example of his advantages policy. However, the fact says different. Fiat Chysler has six plants in Mexico, and none of them are closing. Chysler will only move some operation to Mexico to Warren, Michigan.

Furthermore, in the next sentence, the social actor which was informed within the text were not clearly mentioned, but only stated unemployment as the following sentence: *Unemployment is nearing record lows*.The readers will ask, which part of the country which becomes the target of the policy. In fact, The truck production in Warren, Michigan need the support of employee, therefore 2500 new jobs will be created. However, President Trump only stated about the decereasing of unemployment without mentioning specific place and number. The way the social actor is representedsuch way called **assimilation** strategy. By using this strategy the writer was able to deliver his opinion without hiding the social actors but still could avoid specifically showing them. The use of this strategy could influence the readers' perspective because it could convey general opinion that actuallly almost all society

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of United states can get a new job very soon. If the author specifically inform who exactly the social actors were, it should be mentioned with 2500 unemployment in Michigan. However, this strategy is avoided by Trump to master netizens'opinion to be in his side.

Datum 5

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Saturday, 10 February 2018. It is the response of the White house toward the allegation.

"People lives are being shattered and destroyed by a mere allegation. Some are true and some are false. Some are old and some are new. There is no recovery for someone falsely accused-life and career gone. Is there no such thing any longer as Due Process?"

In datum 5 above, the author applied **personalization** of inclusion strategy. The author tried to represent the social actor within the discourse in unspecified way. Personalization itself is divided into determination and indeterminantion. In this case, this tweet is categorized as **indetermination** since the social actor is not clear. The writer prefers to use term some in the sentence; *Some are true and some are false. Some are old and some are new.* In addition, the next sentence also uses similar term; *There is no recovery for someone falsely accused-life and career gone*. The tweet was actually considered the quick respond from Trump over sexual harrashment issue. In his tweet Mr.Trump did not mention either man, but only warned that allegation causes person's life and career gone.

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The tweet came after the resignation of former White House staff secretary, Rob Porter and speech writer David Sorenson regarding to abuse allegation and physical violence toward his two ex-wives. In his tweet, Trump believed that Porter was doing a very well done job during his years in White House. He did not even expresss any sympathy for the women got abused. Consequently, it created some speculations againts his tweet including the Democrate Senate Patty Murray *"Women's lives are upended everyday by sexual violence and harrashment. I'm going to keep standing with them and trusting them, even if the president won't"*. It can be concluded that Trump is not really concern on the harrashment issues by not saying even a word to the victim. But, Donald Trump always had his tricky startegy to hide his preference. Using indetermination strategy by having a proper diction tho cover the social actor talked by President Trump. People will not focus on the women as the victim but in general way. He maximalized his power to control netizen attention to another urgent issues.

Datum 6

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Tuesday, 20 February 2018. This tweet revealed as the response of anti-Trump event.

"Bad ratings @CNN & @MSBC got scammed when they covered the anti-Trump Russia rally wall-to-wall. They probably knew it was Fake News but, because it was a rally against me, they pushed it hard anyway. Two really dishonest newscasters, but the public is wise!"

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In datum 6 presented above, the writer applied the **categorization strategy**. President Trump tried to represent the social actor by certain term. Two really dishonest newscasters as the adjective term was referred to certain media that often uphold the fake news over anti-Trump issues. The use of this category to create a new branding that the writer wanted to show to the followers of him. Furthermore, Trump also mentioned directly both media within the discourse, they are CNN and MSBC. Therefore, there will be no confusing term what media are being talked by president Trump. He believed that these two media commited bad action by declaring fake news.

The media's role in publicizing the rally made national headlines of the week that showed multiple Russian nationals were involved in promoting and organizing the anti-Trump event. They created advertisements, posts and organized activity on social media platforms by using the name of Americans. One of which bravely said that "Trump is not my president". Of course, it trigger Trump's anger to those media which he expresssed through this tweet. Without any cover pointed out the media which did a very unfair information. It becomes additional prove that his way expresssing opinion just the same with the reality.

Datum 7

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Friday, 23 February 2018.

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"My daughter, Ivanka, just arrived in South Korea. We can not have a better, or smarter person representing our country."

In datum 7 above, the reader can infer that the way social actor represented in this tweet called **personalization** of inclusion strategy. Personalization represents human beings as realized by personal or possesive pronouns, proper names or nouns. In this case, the existence of personalization can be identified by the term *My daughter, Ivanka.* The social actors are represented by having nomination as the daughter of President Donald Trump, one of the most influential person in the world. The use of this term called as **categorization**. Trump used his power to promote his daughter in performing relation over countries.

This tweet created many commments against the statement. One of netizens said "why can't we have a better, smarter, person representing our country?" or "if only there are two person in the world, you and your daughter". As we know that to become representative of the country, the person should have brilliant with actual political experience. However, the fact says different that Melania never experienced in it. Just because the daughter of president, she finally became the one. The representative from America to talk about the interest in South Korea concerning matters of the country. Consequently, hate comments were dominating this tweet. The way Trump used this strategy actually tp declare and claim that only Melania considered as the best choice.

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Datum 8

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Wednesday, 28 February 2018. This tweet is actually only part of speech delivered by Trump at Preceding the lying in honor of the reverend Billy Graham in Washington, D.C.

"Starting at a small Bible School in Florida, Billy Graham soon led a nationwide revival. From a large tent in Los Angeles, to one hundred thousand people in a single day at Yankee Stadium, to more than two million people at Madison Square Garden over sixteen week in 1957."

Based on datum 8 above, the way Prseident Donald Trum presented the social actor in his tweet called as **backgrounding** strategy of exclusion. The writer delayed the appearance of the social actor in the first clause by using infinite clause – ing to the second clause instead of directly showing in the first clause. The use of this strategy aimed to emphasize the readers' attention on the first clause *Starting at a small Bible School in Florida* which means that Billy Graham is a honor citizen in America. It was indirectly exposed Billy Graham in a positve way since his preaching and prayers are really meaningful for America.

The function of this strategy is that to make netizen focus on the very first beginning the important thing which later explain on how great Billy Graham was during his entire life. He tried to remind to people about the power of prayer and God's grace toward the country. In addition, he also well-known as an ambassador of Christ who helped lift up the American spirit. By this tweet, Trump wanted to

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expressed that he respects him so much and shout out to the world that religion also an important part of the country.

Datum 9

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Saturday, 31 March 2018.

"I have stated my concerns with Amazon long before the Election. Unlike others, they pay little or no taxes to state & local governments, use our Postal System as their Delivery Boy (causing tremendous loss to the U.S.), and are putting many thousands of retailers out of business!"

In datum 9 above, the author tried to represent the social actor of the social practice through **personalization** strategy of inclusion. Personalization itself could be realized into some categories. In this case, President Trump tried to apply **determination** which the social actor is specified. Furthermore, Trump also differentiated the doer from himself. The use of the term *Unlike others* in the second sentence absolutely drive the readers' attention that Trump is different from them. In this case, President Trump tried to convince the followers and readers that his leadership is much more better than before. Therefore, the use of word *Unlike* creates the difference between 'himself' and 'other president'.

In addition, the use of another strategy is also exist in this tweet. President Trump tried to get the readers' attention on several social practices; *they pay little or no taxes to state & local governments, use our Postal System as their Delivery Boy (causing tremendous loss to the U.S.), and are putting many thousands of retailers*

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out of business!". It is the action of pay, use and put which are done by the social actors, in this case is the previous President. In conclusion, the social actor is represented as havingmore than one social practice whic named as **overdetermination** strategy.

Datum 10

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Thursday, 15 March 2018. The bridge collapse occured at Florida International University in Miami area.

"Continuing to monitor the heartbeaking ist bridge collapse at FIU – so tragic. Many brave First Responders rushed in to save lives. Thank you for your courage. Praying this evening for all who are affected."

Based on datum 10 above, the author tried to depict the social actor being talked by exclusion strategy. It means that the author wants to delay the existence of the social actor in the very first beginning of the sentence. Exclusion strategy being used in this part of tweet called **backgrounding strategy**. This kind of strategy leaves traces in the representation. The existence of backgrounding strategy can be identified through the linguistic realization by the use of infinite clause – ing; *Continuing to monitor the heartbeaking ist bridge collapse at FIU – so tragic*. *Many brave First Responders rushed in to save lives.* The author prefers to delay the doer of the social practice. However, the President Trump also uses another strategy to state the social actor. The way Trump presents the doer called **genericization** of inclusion strategy through the clause *Many brave First Responders* in the sentence. This clause

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which were actually only several persons were generalized into a greater subject. Actually the victims of the accident were six people. However, the author wanted to convince to his followers on twitter that there were huge amount of people in this tragedy. Therefore it can be concluded that genericization strategy of inclusion could also affect the readers perspective, the reader will not ask who the exact doer was. From this tweet, we can see that in a tweet the use of two strategy in the same time is possible.

Datum 11

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Friday, 23 March 2018. Trump blames Obama for legalizing bump stocks. He believes that Obama's decision for permitting the devices to be sold is not good idea.

"Obama administration legalized bump stocks. BAD IDEA. As I promised, today the Department of Justice will issue the rule banning BUMP STOCKS with a madated comment period. We will BAN all devices that turn legal weapons into illegal machine guns."

In datum 11 above, the way Trump delivered his opinion used inclusion strategy. In this tweet, President Trump adopted a**ctivation** strategy. The social actor was mentioned clearly within the text, Obama. He represented as the active person doing the social practice; *Obama administration legalized bump stocks.* In addition, activation strategy also needs several distinction. One of the realization used in this case is **participation**. Obama administration means that the rule organized by

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Obama. Obama as the social actor who participate actively in the term of legalization since he was the leader of the country at that period. The active role of social actor is more clearly foregrounded.

Furthermore, Prsident Trump applied another choice of inclusion strategy. the author uses **determination** strategy as part of personalization. It means, social actor are reresented as human beings and the identity is specified. In this case, the reseracher believes that we in this sentence*; We will BAN all devices that turn legal weapons into illegal machine guns* categorixed as specific term. It is because the account absolutely managed by Trump. Therefore, we can coclude that the term *we* in this case is actually President Trump, his administrative staff and society as well. In conclusion, the way group of social actor is unformed within the text named by **dissociation**. By this tweet, President Trump want to raise his voice that his opinion is contradictory with Obama. It can be seen also by the use of capital sentence; BAD IDEA. He tries to conquer to the world that the social practice done by Obams is totally wrong.

Datum 12

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Tuesday, 3 April 2018. This tweet is about U.S's participation in the Trans Pacific Partnership.

"While japan and South Korea would like us to go back into TPP, I don't like the deal for the United States. Too many contigencies and no way to get out if it doesn't

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work. Bilateral deals are far more efficient, profitable and better for OUR workers. Look how bad WTO is to U.S."

In datum 12 above, President Trump used **determinatio**n strategy of inclusion. The social actor represented in this tweet were japan and South Korea. It actually means the country and his leader. The social actors are represented in a specific way within the text. Moreover, determination also need further distinction. Inthis tweet, Trump used differentiation. It means that Trump directly differentiates between two condition; *While japan and South Korea would like us to go back into TPP, I don't like the deal for the United States.* The use term *while* in this sentence create differentiation clearly in which both countries wanted U.S go back and on the contrary U.S did not want at all. After having a meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe to decide his stance, he finally wrote the decision through this tweet. He argued that there are too many contigencies in the existing plan and expressing bilateral trade deals. Therefore, by this tweet he wanted to show that he already changed his mind to join in Trans Pacific Partnership again.

Datum 13

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Sunday, 22 April 2018. Trump delivered his opinion through twitter that Fake news is dangerous for democracy.

"So funny to watch the Fake News Networks, among the most dishonest groups of people I have ever dealth with, criticize Sinclair Broadcasting for being biased. Sinclair is far superior to CNN and even more fake NBC, whic is total joke."

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In datum 13 above, President Trump adopted **genericization** strategy of inclusion. The use of this strategy could be identified through the clause 'Fake News Networks' in the sentence. This clause represents the social actors which were actually some journalists were generalized into a huge subject. Trump wanted to convince that there are many company's journalists who writes fake news. By using this kind of strategy, the writer actually wanted to influence the readers' mindset to be more carefull on reading the news since the existence of fake news networks is a real. It will be very dangerous on how people think about some issues and persons being talked. Even if President Trump does not mention who are fake news networks are, the followers and readers actually will not ask the exact company.

However, in this tweet Donald Trump tries strengthen his argument by providing some fake news networks. They are Sinclair Broadcasting, CNN and NBC; *criticize Sinclair Broadcasting for being biased. Sinclair is far superior to CNN and even more fake NBC, whic is total joke.* Sinclair began airing the promotional campaign during newscast on its station. The anchor actually had to read the same words written by Sinclair Executives. Unfortunately,some members of the media use their platforms to deliver their own personal bias. Therefore, it made President Donald Trump angry. He believed that it would be extremely dangerous for the democracy.

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Datum 14

The datum presented below was taken from the tweet of President Donald Trump on Friday, 27 April 2018. The president shared his appreciation for Kanye West and Chance toward the Black Community.

"Kanye West has performed a great service to the Black Community – Big things are happening and eyes are being opened for the first time in Decades – legacy Stuff! Thank you also Chance and Dr.Darrell Scott, they really get it (lowest Black & Hispanic unemployment in history)."

From the datum 14 above, the author tried to apply **activation** strategy of inclusion. President trump did not hide the social actor being talked in his tweet. In this case, Kanye West, the famous rapper, represented as the active actor of social practice. The linguistic realization of activation can be identified by participation. Kanye West represented as social actor who actively participate in certain role. In this tweet, President Trump uses this term; *Kanye West has performed a great service to the Black Community*. By this sentence, the followers of him can infer that Kanye West voices his opinion to the media that he support for Trump by using 'Make America Great Again'. In short, Trump actually wants to show to the readers that two famous rappers, West and Chance are on his side.

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3.2 Discussion

After finding and analyzing the data from the tweets of President Donald Trump, the discussion of those strategies is needed to answer the research question which proposed in the first chapter: "How are social actors are represented by President Donald Trump on twitter?" in the following discussion, the researcher presents discussion about the kinds of social actor representation strategies proposed by van Leeuwen (2008) on the tweet of Prsident Donald Trump.

3.2.1 Types of social actor strategies in the tweet of President Donald Trump

Based on data that has been analyzed and explored in the previous subchapter, the researcher found two kinds of strategies used in representing the social actor which proposed by van Leeuwen, they are exclusion and inclusion in president Donald Trmp' tweet from January to April 2018. Based on the results of the analysis, the use of certain strategies has several certain meaning, for instance to show how powerful certain social actors are or to stereotype the issue.

In this study, the researcher found that president Donald Trump on his tweet applied both strategies, exclusion and exclusion. The use of exclusion strategy revealed both suppression and backgrounding. As the example of these strategies are *"Heading back from a very exciting two days in Davos, Switzerland. Speech on America's economic revival was well received,"; "Starting at a small Bible School in Florida, Billy Graham soon led a nationwide revival,"; "Speech on America's*

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economic revival was well received. Many of the people I met will be investing in the U.S.A" By using these strategies, the social actors can be delayed or even hidden the existence within the text, the way that could not be occured in the active sentence. The writer considered that the social actors becomes second thing, then the most important point of the text is its object.

After having exclusion strategy, president Donald Trump also applied inclusion strategy. The strategies found in this research are nomination, activation, impersonaliation, assimilation, personalization, categorization, genericization, and determination. Those strategies are applied to ease the followers of him get direct understanding of who are being talked actually. However, from 14 data being analyzed in this study, the researcher could not find some inclusion strategy like passivation and individualization.

3.2.2 The way social actors are represented in twitter

Based on the previous discussion above, the researcher is going to discuss about kind of strategies applied in his tweet being analyzed by the researcher. In this case, president Trump pointed out the social actors of the social practices in two ways, the exact doer and group or community.

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a. The exact doer.

President Donald Trump often uses activation strategy on some tweets to show that there is no hesitation of the social actor. It implies that the social actors are active to do some social practices. For instance, in (datum 3) *as we continue to strengthen our great friendship;* (datum 4) *Chrysler, as an example, is leaving Mexico and coming back to the USA;* (datum 11) *We will BAN all devices that turn legal weapons into illegal machine guns, Obama administration legalized bump stocks. BAD IDEA;* (datum 14) *Kanye West has performed a great service to the Black Community.*

Applying this kind of strategy means that the followers or readers of the tweet can judge and drive directly their opinion over that issues. There will be no speculation but clear and exact social actor being talked in the twitter of him.

b. Group or community

President Trump also used this strategy as a way of representing the social actor being in his tweet. For instance, (datum 6) dishonest newscaster to indicate CNN and MSBC, (datum 10) many brave responders and (datum 14) black community. By adopting this way of representing social actor, the writer wanted to stereotype the doer of social practices. In certain case, the writer wanted to hide the doer of the issues

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being commented by president Donald Trump. Therefore, the followers and readers should be wise in determining who are actually they are. Readers need to understand the tweet and issue then they may drive the conclusion in the end.

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CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

This chapter becomes the end parts of the research that provide the conclusion of findings and discussion. It is also completed with suggestion for future research as well.

4.1 Conclusion

Based on the research findings and discussion in the previous chapter of the research, the researcher tries to draw the conclusion. First, to deliver the opinions or argument, President Donald Trump applied both kinds of strategies proposed by van Leeuwen's (2008) framework. Exclusion and inclusion are exists in tweets being analyzed by the researcher. Second, President Donald Trump tended to use inclusion strategy rather that exclusion strategy. It can be proven by the findings that most of tweet use activation strategy which means the social actors are within the text. In other words, President Donald Trump has the same characteristic both in oral and written. We may say that Trump as the president who actively raised his voice in every issues occurs all over the world. Third, the way President Donald Trump represented the social actor is divided into two, the exact doer and community. He sometimes stereotypes the doer of the action to get readers' attention. In addition. It will create the huge effect on driving people' mindset.

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4.2 Suggestion

According to the data and the findings of this research, social actor representation is interesting to be analyzed since it will create understanding over the issues and know the strategies being used. It is suggested for the next researchers who are also interested in this field to fill the gap by having the other object and media as well. In addition, it will much more better if future research focus on this part of critical discourse analysis collaborate two different theories to get broad understanding.

For the readers, it is suggested to understand the discourse first before judging or driving conclusion over the issues because we may have different point of view. Without comprehending the context, it might create inappropriate opinions. Further, it will change your stance about certain things.

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Appendix 1: Data Tabulations

	Datum	Exclusion		Inclusion															
						Per												Imp	
		Sup	Back	Act	Pas	Gen	Spc		Det								Idt	Abs	Obj
							Idv	Asm	Dif	Idf	Nom	Ctg	Asc	Dsc	Sdt	Ovd			
1	"I, as President, want people coming into our country who are going to help us become strong and great again, people coming in through a system based on MERIT. No more Lotteries! #AMERICAFIRST"										√								
2	"Heading back from a very exciting two days in Davos, Switzerland. Speech on America's economic revival was well received. Many of the people I met will be investing in the U.S.A.! #MAGA"	√																	
3	"Great bilateral meeting with President @Alain_Berset of the Swiss Confederation – as we continue to strengthen our great friendship. Such an honor tobe in Switzerland."			√							√								
4	"Our economy is better than it has been in many decades. Businesses are coming back to America like never before. Chrysler, as an example, is leaving Mexico and coming back to the USA. Unemployment is nearing record lows. We are on the right track!"			√				√										√	

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5	"People lives are being shattered and detroyed by a mere allegation. Some are true and some are false. Some are old and some are new. There is no recovery for someone falsely accused-life and career gone. Is there no such thing any longer as Due Process?"											√			√				
6	"Bad ratings @CNN & @MSBC got scammed when they covered the anti-Trump Russia rally wall-to-wall. They probably knew it was Fake News but, because it was a rally against me, they pushed it hard anyway. Two really dishonest newscasters, but the public is wise!"											√							
7	"My daughter, Ivanka, just arrived in South Korea. We can not have a better, or smarter person representing our country."											√							
8	"Starting at a small Bible School in Florida, Billy Graham soon led a nationwide revival, from a large tent in Los Angeles, to one hundred thousand people in a single day at Yankee Stadium, to more than two million people at Madison Square Garden over sixteen weeks in 1957"		√																
9	*"I have stated my concerns with Amazon long before the Election. Unlike others, they pay little or no taxes to state & local governments, use our Postal System as their Delivery Boy (causing tremendous*														√				

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	loss to the U.S.), and are putting many thousands of retailers out of business!"																		
10	*"Continuing to monitor the heartbeaking ist bridge collapse at FIU – so tragic. Many brave First Responders rushed in to save lives. Thank you for your courage. Praying this evening for all who are affected."*					√													
11	*"Obama administration legalized bump stocks. BAD IDEA. As I promised, today the Department of Justice will issue the rule banning BUMP STOCKS with a madated comment period. We will BAN all devices that turn legal weapons into illegal machine guns."*			√									√						
12	"While japan and South Korea would like us to go back into TPP, I don't like the deal for the United States. Too many contigencies and no way to get out if it doesn't work. Bilateral deals are far more efficient, profitable and better for OUR workers. Look how bad WTO is to U.S."										√								

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13	"So funny to watch the Fake News Networks, among the most dishonest groups of people I have ever dealth with, criticize Sinclair Broadcasting for being biased. Sinclair is far superior to CNN and even more fake NBC, whic is total joke."											√							
14	"Kanye West has performed a great service to the Black Community – Big things are happening and eyes are being opened for the first time in Decades – legacy Stuff! Thank you also Chance and Dr.Darrell Scott, they really get it (lowest Black & Hispanic unemployment in history)."			√															

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Idf : Indifferentiation

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Cat : Categorization
Ovd : Overdetermination
Per : Personalization
Imp : Impersonalization

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Appendix 2: Tweet of President Donald Trump on January to April 2018

JANUARY

JAN 28

Our economy is better than it has been in many decades. Businesses are coming back to America like never before. Chrysler, as an example, is leaving Mexico and coming back to the USA. Unemployment is nearing record lows. We are on the right track!

Somebody please inform Jay-Z that because of my policies, Black Unemployment has just been reported to be at the LOWEST RATE EVER RECORDED!

JAN 27

Democrats are not interested in Border Safety & Security or in the funding and rebuilding of our Military. They are only interested in Obstruction!

I have offered DACA a wonderful deal, including a doubling in the number of recipients & a twelve year pathway to citizenship, for two reasons: (1) Because the Republicans want to fix a long time terrible problem. (2) To show that Democrats do not want to solve DACA, only use it!

On Holocaust Remembrance Day we mourn and grieve the murder of 6 million innocent Jewish men, women and children, and the millions of others who perished in the evil Nazi Genocide. We pledge with all of our might and resolve: Never Again!

Thank you to Brandon Judd of the National Border Patrol Council for his strong statement on @foxandfriends that we very badly NEED THE WALL. Must also end loophole of "catch & release" and clean up the legal and other procedures at the border NOW for Safety & Security reasons.

JAN 26

Thank you for the wonderful welcome @WEF! #Davos2018

DACA has been made increasingly difficult by the fact that Cryin' Chuck Schumer took such a beating over the shutdown that he is unable to act on immigration!

It was an honor to meet with Republic of Rwanda President Paul Kagame this morning in Davos, Switzerland. Many great discussions! #WEF18

Will be interviewed on @SquawkCNBC by @JoeSquawk coming up at 6:00amE from Davos, Switzerland. Enjoy! #WEF18

Today, Americans everywhere remember the brave men and women of @NASA who lost their lives in our Nation's eternal quest to expand the boundaries of human potential. https://www.

Very productive bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Benjamin @Netanyahu of Israel - in Davos, Switzerland! #WEF18

Great bilateral meeting with Prime Minister Theresa Mayof the United Kingdom, affirming the special relationship and our commitment to work together on key national security challenges and economic opportunities. #WEF18

JAN 24

Will soon be heading to Davos, Switzerland, to tell the world how great America is and is doing. Our economy is now booming and with all I am doing, will only get better...Our country is finally WINNING again!

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It was my great honor to welcome Mayor's from across America to the WH. My Administration will always support local government - and listen to the leaders who know their communities best. Together, we will usher in a bold new era of Peace and Prosperity!

Earlier today, I spoke with @GovMattBevin of Kentucky regarding yesterday's shooting at Marshall County High School. My thoughts and prayers are with Bailey Holt, Preston Cope, their families, and all of the wounded victims who are in recovery. We are with you!

Tremendous investment by companies from all over the world being made in America. There has never been anything like it. Now Disney, J.P. Morgan Chase and many others. Massive Regulation Reduction and Tax Cuts are making us a powerhouse again. Long way to go! Jobs, Jobs, Jobs!

Where are the 50,000 important text messages between FBI lovers Lisa Page and Peter Strzok? Blaming Samsung!

JAN 23

Nobody knows for sure that the Republicans & Democrats will be able to reach a deal on DACA by February 8, but everyone will be trying....with a big additional focus put on Military Strength and Border Security. The Dems have just learned that a Shutdown is not the answer!

In one of the biggest stories in a long time, the FBI now says it is missing five months worth of lovers Strzok-Page texts, perhaps 50,000, and all in prime time. Wow!

Even Crazy Jim Acosta of Fake News CNN agrees: "Trump World and WH sources dancing in end zone: Trump wins again...Schumer and Dems caved...gambled and lost." Thank you for your honesty Jim!

JAN 22

Big win for Republicans as Democrats cave on Shutdown. Now I want a big win for everyone, including Republicans, Democrats and DACA, but especially for our Great Military and Border Security. Should be able to get there. See you at the negotiating table!

End the Democrats Obstruction!

Democrats have shut down our government in the interests of their far left base. They don't want to do it but are powerless!

The Democrats are turning down services and security for citizens in favor of services and security for non-citizens. Not good!

JAN 21

Thank you to Brad Blakeman on @FoxNews for grading year one of my presidency with an "A"-and likewise to Doug Schoen for the very good grade and statements. Working hard!

Great to see how hard Republicans are fighting for our Military and Safety at the Border. The Dems just want illegal immigrants to pour into our nation unchecked. If stalemate continues, Republicans should go to 51% (Nuclear Option) and vote on real, long term budget, no C.R.'s!

Democrats are holding our Militaryhostage over their desire to have unchecked illegal immigration. Can't let that happen!

JAN 20

Democrats are far more concerned with Illegal Immigrants than they are with our great Military or Safety at our dangerous Southern Border. They could have easily made a deal but decided to play Shutdown politics instead. #WeNeedMoreRepublicansIn18 in order to power through mess!

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Unprecedented success for our Country, in so many ways, since the Election. Record Stock Market, Strong on Military, Crime, Borders, & ISIS, Judicial Strength & Numbers, Lowest Unemployment for Women & ALL, Massive Tax Cuts, end of Individual Mandate - and so much more. Big 2018!

Beautiful weather all over our great country, a perfect day for all Women to March. Get out there now to celebrate the historic milestones and unprecedented economic success and wealth creation that has taken place over the last 12 months. Lowest female unemployment in 18 years!

For those asking, the Republicans only have 51 votes in the Senate, and they need 60. That is why we need to win more Republicans in 2018 Election! We can then be even tougher on Crime (and Border), and even better to our Military & Veterans!

Not looking good for our great Military or Safety & Security on the very dangerous Southern Border. Dems want a Shutdown in order to help diminish the great success of the Tax Cuts, and what they are doing for our booming economy.

JAN 19

Just signed 702 Bill to reauthorize foreign intelligence collection. This is NOT the same FISA law that was so wrongly abused during the election. I will always do the right thing for our country and put the safety of the American people first!

"Shutting down the government is a very serious thing. People die, accidents happen. I don't know how I would vote right now on a CR, OK?" Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif)

Government Funding Bill past last night in the House of Representatives. Now Democrats are needed if it is to pass in the Senate - but they want illegal immigration and we

House of Representatives needs to pass Government Funding Bill tonight. So important for our country - our Military needs it!

AMERICA will once again be a NATION that thinks big, dreams bigger, and always reaches for the stars. YOU are the ones who will shape America's destiny. YOU are the ones who will restore our prosperity. And YOU are the ones who are MAKING AMERICA GREAT AGAIN! #MAGA

JAN 18

Departing Pittsburgh now, where it was my great honor to stand with our incredible workers, and to show the world that AMERICA is back - and we are coming back bigger and better and stronger than ever before!

A government shutdown will be devastating to our military...something the Dems care very little about!

We need the Wall for the safety and security of our country. We need the Wall to help stop the massive inflow of drugs from Mexico, now rated the number one most dangerous country in the world. If there is no Wall, there is no Deal!

Will be going to Pennsylvania today in order to give my total support to RICK SACCONE, running for Congress in a Special Election (March 13). Rick is a great guy. We need more Republicans to continue our already successful agenda!
ISIS is in retreat, our economy is booming, investments and jobs are pouring back into the country, and so much more! Together there is nothing we can't overcome--even a very biased media. We ARE Making America Great Again!

Despite some very corrupt and dishonest media coverage, there are many great reporters I respect and lots of GOOD NEWS for the American people to be proud of!

JAN 17

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I promised that my policies would allow companies like Apple to bring massive amounts of money back to the United States. Great to see Apple follow through as a result of TAX CUTS. Huge win for American workers and the USA!

we need to keep America safe, including moving away from a random chain migration and lottery system, to one that is merit-based.

JAN 16

Unemployment for Black Americans is the lowest ever recorded. Trump approval ratings with Black Americans has doubled. Thank you, and it will get even (much) better! @FoxNews

Do you notice the Fake News Mainstream Media never likes covering the great and record setting economic news, but rather talks about anything negative or that can be turned into the negative. The Russian Collusion Hoax is dead, except as it pertains to the Dems. Public gets it! KL

The Democrats want to shut down the Government over Amnesty for all and Border Security. The biggest loser will be our rapidly rebuilding Military, at a time we need it more than ever. We need a merit based system of immigration, and we need it now! No more dangerous Lottery.

We must have Security at our VERY DANGEROUS SOUTHERN BORDER, and we must have a great WALL to help protect us, and to help stop the massive inflow of drugs pouring into our country!

JAN 14

I, as President, want people coming into our Country who are going to help us become strong and great again, people coming in through a system based on MERIT. No more Lotteries! #AMERICA FIRST

JAN 13

So much Fake News is being reported. They don't even try to get it right, or correct it when they are wrong. They promote the Fake Book of a mentally deranged author, who knowingly writes false information. The Mainstream Media is crazed that WE won the election!

.and they knew exactly what I said and meant. They just wanted a story. FAKE NEWS!

The Democrats are all talk and no action. They are doing nothing to fix DACA. Great opportunity missed. Too bad!

\Yesterday was a big dayfor the stock market. Jobs are coming back to America. Chrysler is coming back to the USA, from Mexico and many others will follow. Tax cut money to employees is pouring into our economy with many more companies announcing. American business is hot again!

JAN 11

Reason I canceled my trip to London is that I am not a big fan of the Obama Administration having sold perhaps the best located and finest embassy in London for "peanuts," only to build a new one in an off location for 1.2 billion dollars. Bad deal. Wanted me to cut ribbon-NO!

The Democrats seem intent on having people and drugs pour into our country from the Southern Border, risking thousands of lives in the process. It is my duty to protect the lives and safety of all Americans. We must build a Great Wall, think Merit and end Lottery & Chain. USA!

With that being said, I have personally directed the fix to the unmasking process since taking office and today's vote is about foreign surveillance of foreign bad guys on foreign land. We need it! Get smart!

JAN 10

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Good news: Toyota and Mazda announce giant new Huntsville, Alabama, plant which will produce over 300,000 cars and SUV's a year and employ 4000 people. Companies are coming back to the U.S. in a very big way. Congratulations Alabama!

JAN 9

On behalf of the American people, THANK YOU to our incredible law enforcement officers. As President of the United States - I will fight for you, and I will never, ever let you down. Now, more than ever, we must support the men and women in blue! #LawEnforcementAppreciationDay

JAN 6

The African American unemployment rate fell to 6.8%, the lowest rate in 45 years. I am so happy about this News! And, in the Washington Post (of all places), headline states, "Trumps first year jobs numbers were very, very good."

JAN 4

The Fake News Media barely mentions the fact that the Stock Market just hit another New Record and that business in the U.S. is booming...but the people know! Can you imagine if "O" was president and had these numbers - would be biggest story on earth! Dow now over 25,000.

Thank you to the great Republican Senators who showed up to our mtg on immigration reform. We must BUILD THE WALL, stop illegal immigration, end chain migration & cancel the visa lottery. The current

As Americans, you need identification, sometimes in a very strong and accurate form, for almost everything you do.....except when it comes to the most important thing, VOTING for the people that run your country. Push hard for Voter Identification!

JAN 3

Stock Market had another good day but, now that the Tax Cut Bill has passed, we have tremendous upward potential. Dow just short of 25,000, a number that few thought would be possible this soon into my administration. Also, unemployment went down to 4.1%. Only getting better!

JAN 2

I will be announcing THE MOST DISHONEST & CORRUPT MEDIA AWARDS OF THE YEAR on Monday at 5:00 o'clock. Subjects will cover Dishonesty & Bad Reporting in various categories from the Fake News Media. Stay tuned!

North Korean Leader Kim Jong Un just stated that the "Nuclear Button is on his desk at all times." Will someone from his depleted and food starved regime please inform him that I too have a Nuclear Button, but it is a much bigger & more powerful one than his, and my Button works!

peace treaty with Israel. We have taken Jerusalem, the toughest part of the negotiation, off the table, but Israel, for that, would have had to pay more. But with the Palestinians no longer willing to talk peace, why should we make any of these massive future payments to them?

It's not only Pakistan that we pay billions of dollars to for nothing, but also many other countries, and others. As an example, we pay the Palestinians HUNDRED OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS a year and get no appreciation or respect. They don't even want to negotiate a long overdue...

The Failing New York Times has a new publisher, A.G. Sulzberger. Congratulations! Here is a last chance for the Times to fulfill the vision of its Founder, Adolph Ochs, "to give the news impartially, without fear or FAVOR, regardless of party, sect, or interests involved."

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The people of Iran are finally acting against the brutal and corrupt Iranian regime. All of the money that President Obama so foolishly gave them went into terrorism and into their "pockets." The people have little food, big inflation and no human rights. The U.S. is watching!

FEBRUARY

FEB 28

It was an honor to welcome bipartisan members of Congress for a discussion on SAFE schools and SAFE communities. As we continue to mourn the loss of so many precious young lives in Parkland, we are determined to turn our grief into action. Full meeting

Today we honor Billy Graham as only three private citizens before him have been honored. We say a prayer for our country: that all across this land, the Lord will raise up men and women like Billy Graham to spread a message of love and hope to every precious child of God

Starting at a small Bible School in Florida, Billy Graham soon led a nationwide revival. From a large tent in Los Angeles, to one hundred thousand people in a single day at Yankee Stadium, to more than two million people at Madison Square Garden over sixteen weeks in 1957.

Why is A.G. Jeff Sessions asking the Inspector General to investigate potentially massive FISA abuse. Will take forever, has no prosecutorial power and already late with reports on Comey etc. Isn't the I.G. an Obama guy? Why not use Justice Department lawyers? DISGRACEFUL!

I have decided that sections of the Wall that California wants built NOW will not be built until the whole Wall is approved. Big victory yesterday with ruling from the courts that allows us to proceed. OUR COUNTRY MUST HAVE BORDER SECURITY!

The Heritage Foundation has just stated that 64% of the Trump Agenda is already done, faster than even Ronald Reagan. "We're blown away," said Thomas Binion of Heritage, President Trump "is very active, very conservative and very effective. Huge volume & spectrum of issues."

Feb 27

Big legal win today. U.S. judge sided with the Trump Administration and rejected the attempt to stop the government from building a great Border Wall on the Southern Border. Now this important project can go forward!

Mississippi has been a great supporter and incredible help in getting our massive Tax Cut Bill done and approved. Also big help on cutting regs. I am with him in his re-election all the way!

Texas LC George P. Bush backed me when it wasn't the politically correct thing to do, and I back him now. Also, AC Sid Miller has been with me from the beginning, he is "Trump's Man in Texas." Also support Comptroller Glenn Hegar, and Railroad Commissioner Christi Craddick.

I want to encourage all of my many Texas friends to vote in the primary for Governor Greg Abbott, Senator Ted Cruz, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, and Attorney General Ken Paxton. They are helping me to Make America Great Again! Vote early or on March 6th.

FEB 23

Thank you to the great men and women of the United States @SecretService for a job well done!

For those of you who are still interested, the Democrats have totally forgotten about DACA. Not a lot of interest on this subject from them!

My daughter, Ivanka, just arrived in South Korea. We cannot have a better, or smarter, person representing our country.

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FEB 20

Bad ratings @CNN & @MSNBC got scammed when they covered the anti-Trump Russia rally wall-to-wall. They probably knew it was Fake News but, because it was a rally against me, they pushed it hard anyway. Two really dishonest newscasters, but the public is wise!

I have been much tougher on Russia than Obama, just look at the facts. Total Fake News!

The President Obama quote just before election. That's because he thought Crooked Hillary was going to win and he didn't want to "rock the boat." When I easily won the Electoral College, the whole game changed and the Russian excuse became the narrative of the Dems.

"There is no serious person out there who would suggest somehow that you could even rig America's elections, there's no evidence that that has happened in the past or that it will happen this time, and so I'd invite Mr. Trump to stop whining and make his case to get votes."

Thank you to @foxandfriends for the great timeline on all of the failures the Obama Administration had against Russia, including Crimea, Syria and so much more. We are now starting to win again!

FEB 19

"The Faith of Donald Trump," a book just out by David Brody and Scott Lamb, is a very interesting read. Enjoy!

The U.S. economy is looking very good, in my opinion, even better than anticipated. Companies are pouring back into our country, reversing the long term trend of leaving. The unemployment numbers are looking great, and Regulations & Taxes have been massively Cut! JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Just watched a very insecure Oprah Winfrey, who at one point I knew very well, interview a panel of people on 60 Minutes. The questions were biased and slanted, the facts incorrect. Hope Oprah runs so she can be exposed and defeated just like all of the others!KL

FEB 18

The Fake News of big ratings loser CNN. https://twitter.com/rrealdjtrump

If it was the GOAL of Russia to create discord, disruption and chaos within the U.S. then, with all of the Committee Hearings, Investigations and Party hatred, they have succeeded beyond their wildest dreams. They are laughing their asses off in Moscow. Get smart America!

Now that Adam Schiff is starting to blame President Obama for Russian meddling in the election, he is probably doing so as yet another excuse that the Democrats, lead by their fearless leader, Crooked Hillary Clinton, lost the 2016 election. But wasn't I a great candidate?

Finally, Liddle' Adam Schiff, the leakin' monster of no control, is now blaming the Obama Administration for Russian meddling in the 2016 Election. He is finally right about something. Obama was President, knew of the threat, and did nothing. Thank you Adam!

Never gotten over the fact that Obama was able to send $1.7 Billion Dollars in CASH to Iran and nobody in Congress, the FBI or Justice called for an investigation!

FEB 17

General McMaster forgot to say that the results of the 2016 election were not impacted or changed by the Russians and that the only Collusion was between Russia and Crooked H, the DNC and the Dems. Remember the Dirty Dossier, Uranium, Speeches, Emails and the Podesta Company!

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Funny how the Fake News Media doesn't want to say that the Russian group was formed in 2014, long before my run for President. Maybe they knew I was going to run even though I didn't know!

Melania and I met such incredible people last night in Broward County, Florida. Will never forget them, or the evening!

FEB 16

Russia started their anti-US campaign in 2014, long before I announced that I would run for President. The results of the election were not impacted. The Trump campaign did nothing wrong - no collusion!

FEB 13

Negotiations on DACA have begun. Republicans want to make a deal and Democrats say they want to make a deal. Wouldn't it be great if we could finally, after so many years, solve the DACA puzzle. This will be our last chance, there will never be another opportunity! March 5th.

FEB 12

This will be a big week for Infrastructure. After so stupidly spending $7 trillion in the Middle East, it is now time to start investing in OUR Country!

FEB 11

4.2 million hard working Americans have already received a large Bonus and/or Pay Increase because of our recently Passed Tax Cut & Jobs Bill....and it will only get better! We are far ahead of schedule.

So many positive things going on for the U.S.A. and the Fake News Media just doesn't want to go there. Same negative stories over and over again! No wonder the People no longer trust the media, whose approval ratings are correctly at their lowest levels in history!

FEB 10

More
My Administration has identified three major priorities for creating a safe, modern and lawful immigration system: fully securing the border, ending chain migration, and canceling the visa lottery. Congress must secure the immigration system and protect Americans.

Peoples lives are being shattered and destroyed by a mere allegation. Some are true and some are false. Some are old and some are new. There is no recovery for someone falsely accused - life and career are gone. Is there no such thing any longer as Due Process?

The Democrats sent a very political and long response memo which they knew, because of sources and methods (and more), would have to be heavily redacted, whereupon they would blame the White House for lack of transparency. Told them to re-do and send back in proper form!

FEB 7

Congratulations to the Republic of Korea on what will be a MAGNIFICENT Winter Olympics! What the South Korean people have built is truly an inspiration!

NEW FBI TEXTS ARE BOMBSHELLS!

In the "old days," when good news was reported, the Stock Market would go up. Today, when good news is reported, the Stock Market goes down. Big mistake, and we have so much good (great) news about the economy!

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FEB 5

Thanks to the historic TAX CUTS that I signed into law, your paychecks are going way UP, your taxes are going way DOWN, and America is once again OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

FEB 3

Great jobs numbers and finally, after many years, rising wages- and nobody even talks about them. Only Russia, Russia, Russia, despite the fact that, after a year of looking, there is No Collusion!

MARCH

MAR 31

While we are on the subject, it is reported that the U.S. Post Office will lose $1.50 on average for each package it delivers for Amazon. That amounts to Billions of Dollars. The Failing N.Y. Times reports that "the size of the company's lobbying staff has ballooned,"

MAR 29

OBS, JOBS, JOBS! Unemployment claims have fallen to a 45-year low. Together, we are making the economy great again!

We are going to REBUILD our crumbling infrastructure, and there is no better place to begin this campaign than in the Great State of Ohio. A tremendous honor to be here today at a state-of-the-art training site, where the skills of the American Worker are forged and refined!

I have stated my concerns with Amazon long before the Election. Unlike others, they pay little or no taxes to state & local governments, use our Postal System as their Delivery Boy (causing tremendous loss to the U.S.), and are putting many thousands of retailers out of business!

I am pleased to announce that I intend to nominate highly respected Admiral Ronny L. Jackson, MD, as the new Secretary of Veterans Affairs....

MAR 28

Received message last night from XI JINPING of China that his meeting with KIM JONG UN went very well and that KIM looks forward to his meeting with me. In the meantime, and unfortunately, maximum sanctions and pressure must be maintained at all cost!

For years and through many administrations, everyone said that peace and the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula was not even a small possibility. Now there is a good chance that Kim Jong Un will do what is right for his people and for humanity. Look forward to our meeting!

THE SECOND AMENDMENT WILL NEVER BE REPEALED! As much as Democrats would like to see this happen, and despite the words yesterday of former Supreme Court Justice Stevens, NO WAY. We need more Republicans in 2018 and must ALWAYS hold the Supreme Court!

MAR 27

I am very pleased to welcome the opioid memorial to the President's Park in April. I encourage all to visit and remember those who we have lost to this deadly epidemic. We will keep fighting until we defeat the opioid crisis!

MAR 25

Because of the $700 & $716 Billion Dollars gotten to rebuild our Military, many jobs are created and our Military is again rich. Building a great Border Wall, with drugs (poison) and enemy combatants pouring into our Country, is all about National Defense. Build WALL through M!

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MAR 26

So much Fake News. Never been more voluminous or more inaccurate. But through it all, our country is doing great!

The economy is looking really good. It has been many years that we have seen these kind of numbers. The underlying strength of companies has perhaps never been better.

MAR 25

"President Donald J. Trump Proclaims March 25, 2018, as Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy"

Much can be done with the $1.6 Billion given to building and fixing the border wall. It is just a down payment. Work will start immediately. The rest of the money will come - and remember DACA, the Democrats abandoned you (but we will not)!

MAR 23

As a matter of National Security I've signed the Omnibus Spending Bill. I say to Congress: I will NEVER sign another bill like this again. To prevent this omnibus situation from ever happening again, I'm calling on Congress to give me a line-item veto for all govt spending bills!

Obama Administration legalized bump stocks. BAD IDEA. As I promised, today the Department of Justice will issue the rule banning BUMP STOCKS with a mandated comment period. We will BAN all devices that turn legal weapons into illegal machine guns.

I am considering a VETO of the Omnibus Spending Bill based on the fact that the 800,000 plus DACA recipients have been totally abandoned by the Democrats (not even mentioned in Bill) and the BORDER WALL, which is desperately needed for our National Defense, is not fully funded.

MAR 22

As a candidate, I pledged that if elected I would use every lawful tool to combat unfair trade, protect American workers, and defend our national security. Today, we took another critical step to fulfill that commitment

Remember when they were saying, during the campaign, that Donald Trump is giving great speeches and drawing big crowds, but he is spending much less money and not using social media as well as Crooked Hillary's large and highly sophisticated staff. Well, not saying that anymore!

MAR 21

I called President Putin of Russia to congratulate him on his election victory (in past, Obama called him also). The Fake News Media is crazed because they wanted me to excoriate him.

MAR 20

Our Nation was founded by farmers. Our independence was won by farmers. And our continent was tamed by farmers. Our farmers always lead the way -- we are PROUD of them, and we are DELIVERING for them! #NationalAgricultureDay

MAR 17

As the House Intelligence Committee has concluded, there was no collusion between Russia and the Trump Campaign. As many are now finding out, however, there was tremendous leaking, lying and corruption at the highest levels of the FBI, Justice & State. #DrainTheSwamp

MAR 16

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It would be great for the Republican Party of Nevada, and it's unity if good guy Danny Tarkanian would run for Congress and Dean Heller, who is doing a really good job, could run for Senate unopposed!

MAR 15

Continuing to monitor the heartbreaking bridge collapse at FIU - so tragic. Many brave First Responders rushed in to save lives. Thank you for your courage. Praying this evening for all who are affected.

We do have a Trade Deficit with Canada, as we do with almost all countries (some of them massive). P.M. Justin Trudeau of Canada, a very good guy, doesn't like saying that Canada has a Surplus vs. the U.S.(negotiating), but they do...they almost all do...and that's how I know!

MAR 14

t was wonderful to be back in Missouri where our push for historic TAX CUTS all began. Six months ago I promised that we would cut taxes to bring Main Street roaring back - and that is exactly what is happening!

Together, we are MAKING AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!

We cannot keep a blind eye to the rampant unfair trade practices against our Country!

Perhaps at no time in history have the business fundamentals of U.S. companies been better than they are today!

Hundreds of good people, including very important Ambassadors and Judges, are being blocked and/or slow walked by the Democrats in the Senate. Many important positions in Government are unfilled because of this obstruction. Worst in U.S. history!

MAR 13

alifornia's sanctuary policies are illegal and unconstitutional and put the safety and security of our entire nation at risk. Thousands of dangerous & violent criminal aliens are released as a result of sanctuary policies, set free to prey on innocent Americans. THIS MUST STOP!

MADR 12

If schools are mandated to be gun free zones, violence and danger are given an open invitation to enter. Almost all school shootings are in gun free zones. Cowards will only go where there is no deterrent!

MAR 10

The European Union, wonderful countries who treat the U.S. very badly on trade, are complaining about the tariffs on Steel & Aluminum. If they drop their horrific barriers & tariffs on U.S. products going in, we will likewise drop ours. Big Deficit. If not, we Tax Cars etc. FAIR!

In the first hours after hearing that North Korea's leader wanted to meet with me to talk denuclearization and that missile launches will end, the press was startled & amazed.They couldn't believe it. But by the following morning the news became FAKE.They said so what, who cares!

North Korea has not conducted a Missile Test since November 28, 2017 and has promised not to do so through our meetings. I believe they will honor that commitment!

Chinese President XI JINPING and I spoke at length about the meeting with KIM JONG UN of North Korea. President XI told me he appreciates that the U.S. is working to solve the problem diplomatically rather than going with the ominous alternative. China continues to be helpful!

MAR 9

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The deal with North Korea is very much in the making and will be, if completed, a very good one for the World. Time and place to be determined.

MAR 7

The U.S. is acting swiftly on Intellectual Property theft. We cannot allow this to happen as it has for many years!

China has been asked to develop a plan for the year of a One Billion Dollar reduction in their massive Trade Deficit with the United States. Our relationship with China has been a very good one, and we look forward to seeing what ideas they come back with. We must act soon!

MAR 6

Will be making a decision soon on the appointment of new Chief Economic Advisor. Many people wanting the job - will choose wisely!

Possible progress being made in talks with North Korea. For the first time in many years, a serious effort is being made by all parties concerned. The World is watching and waiting! May be false hope, but the U.S. is ready to go hard in either direction!

The new Fake News narrative is that there is CHAOS in the White House. Wrong! People will always come & go, and I want strong dialogue before making a final decision. I still have some people that I want to change (always seeking perfection). There is no Chaos, only great Energy!

MAR 5

Why did the Obama Administration start an investigation into the Trump Campaign (with zero proof of wrongdoing) long before the Election in November? Wanted to discredit so Crooked H would win. Unprecedented. Bigger than Watergate! Plus, Obama did NOTHING about Russian meddling.

To protect our Country we must protect American Steel! #AMERICA FIRST

MAR 4

We are on the losing side of almost all trade deals. Our friends and enemies have taken advantage of the U.S. for many years. Our Steel and Aluminum industries are dead. Sorry, it's time for a change! MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!

MAR 3

The United States has an $800 Billion Dollar Yearly Trade Deficit because of our "very stupid" trade deals and policies. Our jobs and wealth are being given to other countries that have taken advantage of us for years. They laugh at what fools our leaders have been. No more!

MAR 2

We must protect our country and our workers. Our steel industry is in bad shape. IF YOU DON'T HAVE STEEL, YOU DON'T HAVE A COUNTRY!

APRIL

APR 30

The White House is running very smoothly despite phony Witch Hunts etc. There is great Energy and unending Stamina, both necessary to get things done. We are accomplishing the unthinkable and setting positive records while doing so! Fake News is going "bonkers!"

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The Fake News is going crazy making up false stories and using only unnamed sources (who don't exist). They are totally unhinged, and the great success of this Administration is making them do and say things that even they can't believe they are saying. Truly bad people!

During Small Business Week, we celebrate the great, hard-working entrepreneurs across our country who have started and operate a small business!

The migrant 'caravan' that is openly defying our border shows how weak & ineffective U.S. immigration laws are. Yet Democrats like Jon Tester continue to support the open borders agenda – Tester even voted to protect Sanctuary Cities. We need lawmakers who will put America First.

I recently had a terrific meeting with a bipartisan group of freshman lawmakers who feel very strongly in favor of Congressional term limits. I gave them my full support and endorsement for their efforts. #DrainTheSwamp

Numerous countries are being considered for the MEETING, but would Peace House/Freedom House, on the Border of North & South Korea, be a more Representative, Important and Lasting site than a third party country? Just asking!

The White House Correspondents' Dinner is DEAD as we know it. This was a total disaster and an embarrassment to our great Country and all that it stands for. FAKE NEWS is alive and well and beautifully represented on Saturday night!

APR 29

Headline: "Kim Prepared to Cede Nuclear Weapons if U.S. Pledges Not to Invade" - from the Failing New York Times. Also, will shut down Nuclear Test Site in May.

The White House Correspondents' Dinner was a failure last year, but this year was an embarrassment to everyone associated with it. The filthy "comedian" totally bombed (couldn't even deliver her lines-much like the Seth Meyers weak performance). Put Dinner to rest, or start over!

Just got recent Poll - much higher than President O at same time....Well, much more has been accomplished!

While Washington, Michigan, was a big success, Washington, D.C., just didn't work. Everyone is talking about the fact that the White House Correspondents Dinner was a very big, boring bust...the so-called comedian really "bombed." @greggutfeld should host next year! @PeteHegseth

Great evening last night in Washington, Michigan. The enthusiasm, knowledge and love in that room was unreal. To the many thousands of people who couldn't get in, I cherish you....and will be back!

APR 28

Secret Service has just informed me that Senator Jon Tester's statements on Admiral Jackson are not true. There were no such findings. A horrible thing that we in D.C. must live with, just like phony Russian Collusion. Tester should lose race in Montana. Very dishonest and sick!

Look forward to being in the Great State of Michigan tonight. Major business expansion and jobs pouring into your State. Auto companies expanding at record pace. Big crowd tonight, will be live on T.V.

Just had a long and very good talk with President Moon of South Korea. Things are going very well, time and location of meeting with North Korea is being set. Also spoke to Prime Minister Abe of Japan to inform him of the ongoing

House Intelligence Committee rules that there was NO COLLUSION between the Trump Campaign and Russia. As I have been saying all along, it is all a big Hoax by the Democrats based on payments and lies. There should never have been a Special Counsel appointed. Witch Hunt!

APR 27

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Kanye West has performed a great service to the Black Community - Big things are happening and eyes are being opened for the first time in Decades - Legacy Stuff! Thank you also to Chance and Dr. Darrell Scott, they really get it (lowest Black & Hispanic unemployment in history).

Please do not forget the great help that my good friend, President Xi of China, has given to the United States, particularly at the Border of North Korea. Without him it would have been a much longer, tougher, process!

KOREAN WAR TO END! The United States, and all of its GREAT people, should be very proud of what is now taking place in Korea!

After a furious year of missile launches and Nuclear testing, a historic meeting between North and South Korea is now taking place. Good things are happening, but only time will tell!

APR 25

Busy day planned. Looking forward to watching President Macron of France address a Joint Session of Congress today. This is a great honor and seldom allowed to be done...he will be GREAT!

APR 24

Arizona, please get out today and vote @DebbieLesko for Congress in #AZ08. Strong on Border, Immigration and Crime. Great on the Military. Time is ticking down - get out and VOTE today. We need Debbie in Congress!

APR 23

Mexico, whose laws on immigration are very tough, must stop people from going through Mexico and into the U.S. We may make this a condition of the new NAFTA Agreement. Our Country cannot accept what is happening! Also, we must get Wall funding fast.

Hard to believe Obstructionists May vote against Mike Pompeo for Secretary of State. The Dems will not approve hundreds of good people, including the Ambassador to Germany. They are maxing out the time on approval process for all, never happened before. Need more Republicans!

APR 22

Sleepy Eyes Chuck Todd of Fake News NBC just stated that we have given up so much in our negotiations with North Korea, and they have given up nothing. Wow, we haven't given up anything & they have agreed to denuclearization (so great for World), site closure, & no more testing!

"At least two Memos Comey shared with a friend contained Classified Information." Wall Street Journal

APR 21

The Washington Post said I refer to Jeff Sessions as "Mr. Magoo" and Rod Rosenstein as "Mr. Peepers." This is "according to people with whom the president has spoken." There are no such people and don't know these characters...just more Fake & Disgusting News to create ill will!

Heading to the Southern White House to watch the Funeral Service of Barbara Bush. First Lady Melania has arrived in Houston to pay our respects. Will be a beautiful day!

APR 20

A message from Kim Jong Un: "North Korea will stop nuclear tests and launches of intercontinental ballistic missiles." Also will "Shut down a nuclear test site in the country's Northern Side to prove the vow to suspend nuclear tests." Progress being made for all!

James Comey illegally leaked classified documents to the press in order to generate a Special Council? Therefore, the Special Council was established based on an illegal act? Really, does everybody know what that means?

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North Korea has agreed to suspend all Nuclear Tests and close up a major test site. This is very good news for North Korea and the World - big progress! Look forward to our Summit.

Can you believe that despite 93% bad stories fromthe Fake News Media (should be getting good stories), today we had just about our highest Poll Numbers, including those on Election Day? The American public is wise to the phony an dishonest press. Make America Great Again!

So exciting! I have agreed to be the Commencement Speaker at our GREAT Naval Academy on May 25th in Annapolis, Maryland. Looking forward to being there.

APR 17

States and Cities throughout our Country are being cheated and treated so badly by online retailers. Very unfair to traditional tax paying stores!

APR 12

Never said when an attack on Syria would take place. Could be very soon or not so soon at all! In any event, the United States, under my Administration, has done a great job of ridding the region of ISIS. Where is our "Thank you America?"

APR 11

Much of the bad blood with Russia is caused by the Fake & Corrupt Russia Investigation, headed up by the all Democrat loyalists, or people that worked for Obama. Mueller is most conflicted of all (except Rosenstein who signed FISA & Comey letter). No Collusion, so they go crazy!

Our relationship with Russia is worse now than it has ever been, and that includes the Cold War. There is no reason for this. Russia needs us to help with their economy, something that would be very easy to do, and we need all nations to work together. Stop the arms race?

APR 6

Do you believe that the Fake News Media is pushing hard on a story that I am going to replace A.G. Jeff Sessions with EPA Chief Scott Pruitt, who is doing a great job but is TOTALLY under siege? Do people really believe this stuff? So much of the media is dishonest and corrupt!

China, which is a great economic power, is considered a Developing Nation within the World Trade Organization. They therefore get tremendous perks and advantages, especially over the U.S. Does anybody think this is fair. We were badly represented. The WTO is unfair to U.S.

APR 3

The Fake News Networks, those that knowingly have a sick and biased AGENDA, are worried about the competition and quality of Sinclair Broadcast. The "Fakers" at CNN, NBC, ABC & CBS have done so much dishonest reporting that they should only be allowed to get awards for fiction!

APR 2

As ridiculous as it sounds, the laws of our country do not easily allow us to send those crossing our Southern Border back where they came from. A whole big wasted procedure must take place. Mexico & Canada have tough immigration laws, whereas ours are an Obama joke. ACT CONGRESS

nly fools, or worse, are saying that our money losing Post Office makes money with Amazon. THEY LOSE A FORTUNE, and this will be changed. Also, our fully tax paying retailers are closing stores all over the country...not a level playing field!

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