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Hengkangnya pasukan Amerika Serikat di sela-sela Taliban menaklukkan kekuasaan Afghanistan menandakan berakhirnya perang dua dekade. Klaim Presiden Biden bahwa penarikan pasukan tersebut berjalan dengan sukses menuai kritik dan puji dari masyarakat, terutama di Amerika. Studi ini mengkaji pola item-item Appraisal pada The Washington Post dan New York Times serta menganalisis bagaimana kedua media tersebut menyajikan posisi dalam meliput tanggapan Presiden Biden terhadap jatuhnya pemerintahan Afghanistan. Studi ini menggunakan korpus 3 artikel berita The Washington Post dan 3 artikel New York Times. Artikel tersebut dianalisis dengan teori Appraisal oleh Martin dan White (2005). Hasil penemuan ini menunjukkan item pada kedua media didominasi oleh Affect dan Appreciation yang bernilai negatif, evaluasi Engagement heterogloss, dengan item Intensification pada Graduation. Studi ini menegaskan bahwa kedua media tersebut menyajikan perspektif menentang tanggapan yang disampaikan Presiden Biden terkait jatuhnya pemerintahan Afghanistan.

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The rapid pull-out of the United States' military troops from Afghanistan when the latter state fell to the Taliban brought the twenty years of war to end. President Biden's claim that it was an 'extraordinary success' raised criticisms and praises, especially in the U.S. This study investigates the pattern of appraising items found in The Washington Post and New York Times, and analyses how both media present their position in reporting the president's response to the Fall of Afghanistan. A corpus of six articles, comprising three from The Washington Post and three from New York Times, published between 15th August 2021 and 31st August 2021 is examined using Martin and White's Appraisal theory. Findings indicate that both media platforms use Affect and Appreciation inclined to negative evaluation towards President Biden the most, are dominated by heterogloss engagement, and mostly graded by amplifying force. This study emphasises that both platforms share a similar perspective in presenting opposition to President Biden's response.

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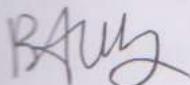
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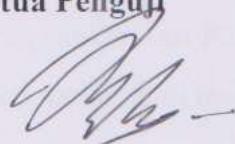
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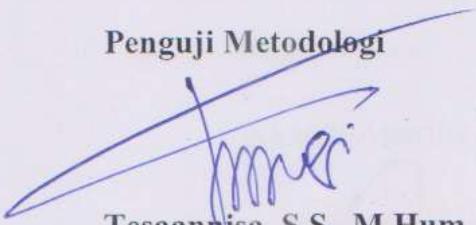
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