

BAB IV

KESIMPULAN DAN SARAN

Penelitian ini mengungkap adanya 4 faktor utama di balik kegagalan upaya intervensi militer yang diinisiasi oleh Amerika Serikat di Libya pada tahun 2011. Keempat independen variabel ini berkaitan dengan faktor-faktor internal dari negara interventionis. Pertama, ambisi Presiden Barack Obama yang berlebihan untuk melakukan perubahan rezim bagi Libya karena kesadaran Obama akan perlunya penegakkan demokrasi dan penyebaran pengaruh serta nilai-nilai penting AS untuk menciptakan sistem internasional yang dapat membawa perdamaian dunia dan menjunjung tinggi HAM.

Kedua, perubahan reaksi warga Libya dari waktu ke waktu. Berawal dari tingginya antusiasme penduduk asli namun kemudian secara perlahan-lahan terkikis oleh kehadiran pasukan asing. Ditambah lagi, militer Amerika Serikat justru melakukan pelanggaran HAM dan mengakibatkan munculnya banyak korban jiwa warga sipil akibat serangan yang dilancarkan oleh pasukan militer udara mereka. Hal ini pun jelas berkebalikan dengan tujuan awal AS, yakni untuk menyelamatkan nyawa para warga sipil di Libya. Rakyat Libya pun kemudian mengecam dan menentang tindakan intervensi militer AS karena dianggap tidak dapat menyelamatkan warga sipil dan justru merugikannya.

Ketiga, reaksi eksternal yang tujuan Amerika Serikat dalam misi di Libya pada tahun 2011. AS memang telah mendapatkan mandat dari DK-PBB untuk menginisiasi operasi militer di wilayah tersebut, namun karena Tiongkok abstain

dalam pemungutan suara di DK-PBB untuk mengesahkan intervensi militer, serta berterus terang mengecam tanggapan NATO atas zona larangan terbang dan serangan pesawat terbang terhadap pasukan pemerintah Libya, hal ini mengakibatkan operasi militer AS tidak lancar dalam pelaksanaannya.

Keempat, kontroversi domestik Amerika Serikat secara signifikan. AS dihadapkan pada oposisi dari berbagai kalangan seperti badan legislatif pemerintah (yang membatasi kewenangan eksekutif), pro-kontra antar partai politik, dan penolakan rakyat terhadap aksi penggunaan kekuatan militer di luar negeri karena hanya akan meningkatkan dan membengkakkan pengeluaran ekonomi akibat operasi militer yang sebelumnya telah dilaksanakan, alih-alih berfokus pada peningkatan dan penyelesaian urusan dalam negeri.

Berdasarkan keempat indikator di atas, dapat dikatakan bahwa faktor yang membuat Amerika Serikat gagal dalam mencapai tujuan intervensi militer di Libya adalah faktor-faktor domestik yang menghambat penggunaan kekuatan militer sehingga menghasilkan upaya intervensi militer yang tidak efektif dari segi perencanaan strategis hingga implementasi, yang pada akhirnya menunjukkan ketidakmampuan AS sebagai negara interventionis untuk mencapai tujuan awal intervensi militernya.

Penulis mempertanyakan legitimasi Amerika Serikat sebagai negara demokrasi perihal sejauh manakah intervensi AS di Libya dapat disebut “kemanusiaan.” Menurut penulis, AS seharusnya menyerahkan masalah Libya kepada negara-negara sekutu NATO lain seperti Inggris, Perancis dan Italia agar ditangani mereka. Presiden Barack Obama sebaiknya menaruh perhatian pada

urusan domestik terutama terkait program kesehatan *Affordable Care Act*, atau yang dikenal dengan sebutan *Obamacare*, dan segala hal lain yang bertujuan untuk memakmurkan kualitas hidup penduduk. Terlebih lagi, konflik di Libya ini merupakan “perang baru” bagi Obama, dan seharusnya ia belajar dari kesalahan era George W. Bush sebelumnya di mana konflik bertahun-tahun AS di Irak dan Afghanistan lebih banyak menghasilkan keburukan daripada kebaikan, khususnya apabila dilihat dari sisi kemanusiaan.

Adapun kekurangan dari skripsi ini adalah penggunaan teori yang bisa lebih dieksplorasi namun terkendala oleh keterbatasan waktu. Apabila penelitian ini dapat diteruskan, penulis berusaha meneliti implikasi intervensi Amerika Serikat terhadap Libya secara lebih mendalam, dengan fokus topik yang diarahkan pada kondisi pasca-intervensi Libya yang dampaknya tidak sesuai dengan harapan dan tujuan AS di awal.

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