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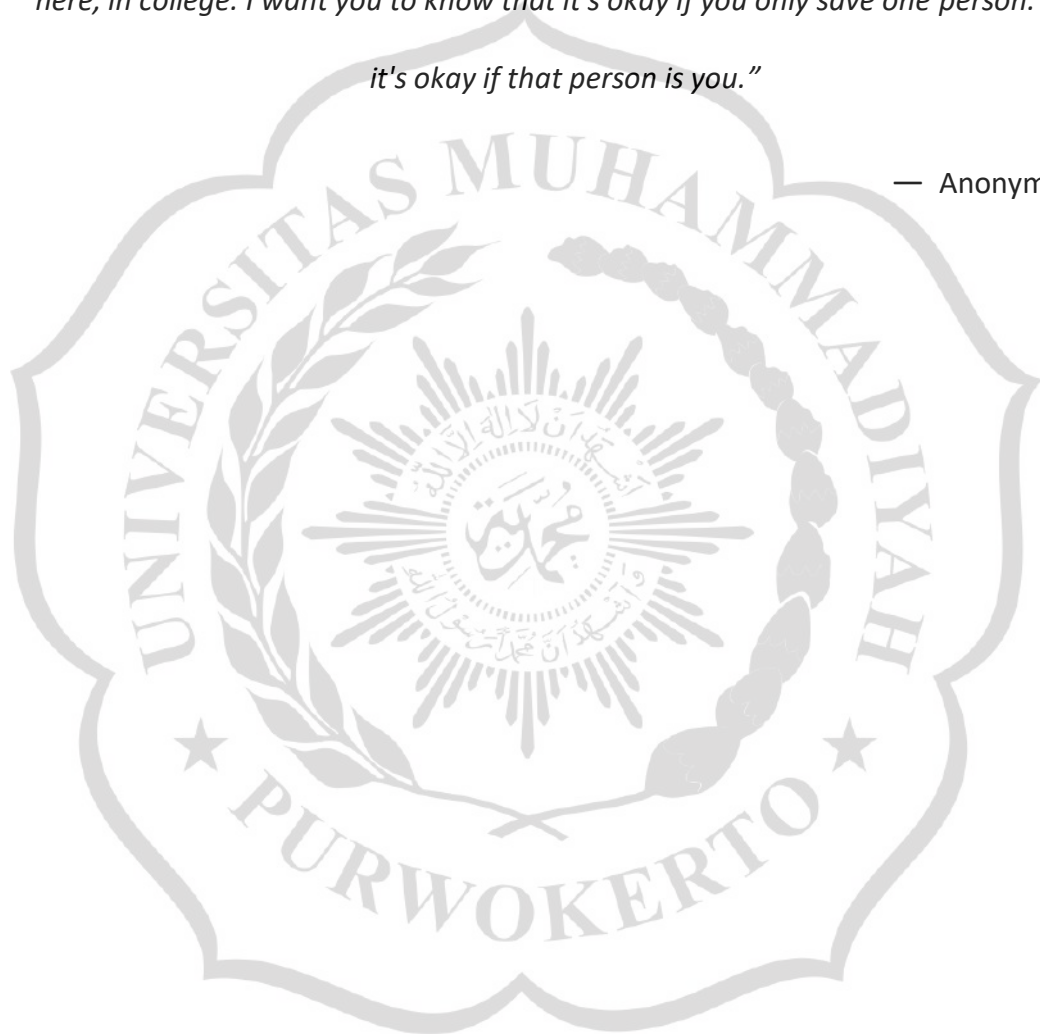


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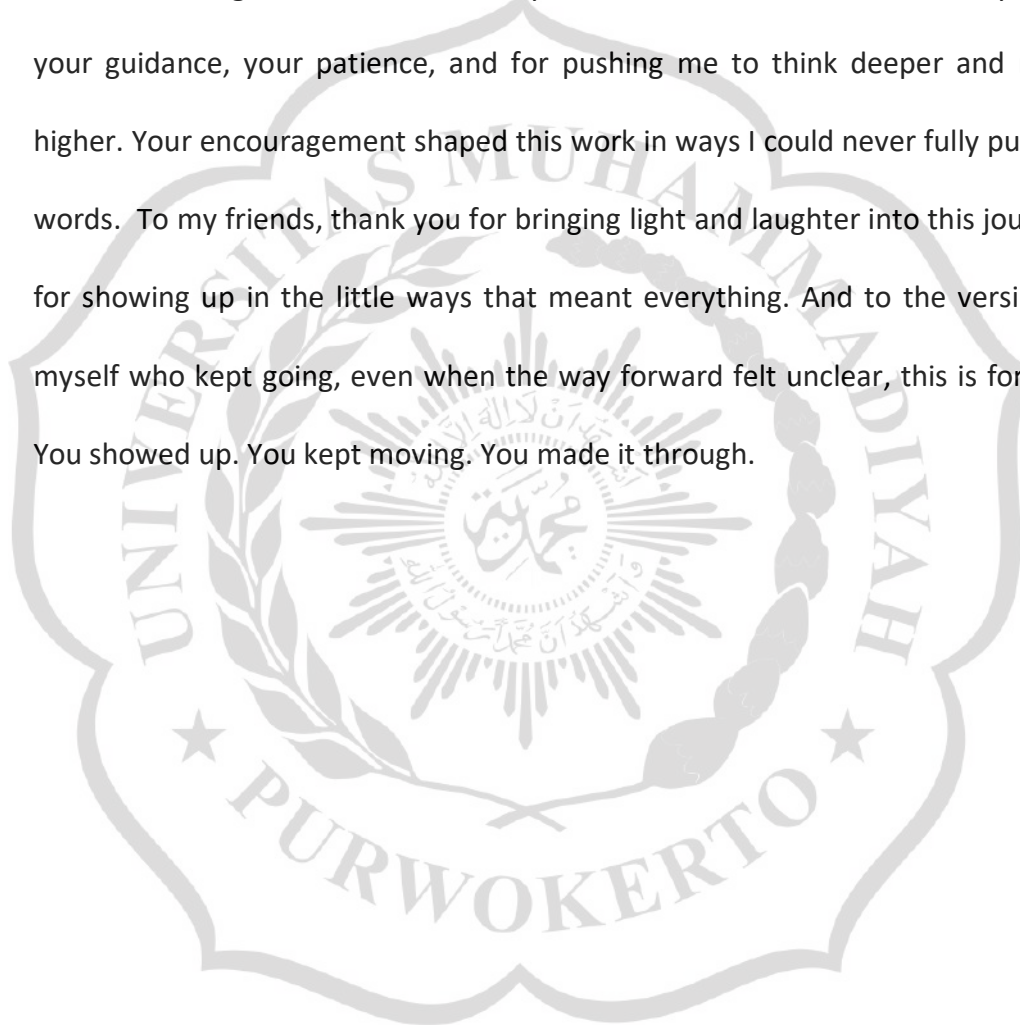
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This study investigates the use of judgment language in the 2024 speech delivered by Indonesia's former Minister for Foreign Affairs, Retno Marsudi, at the 79th United Nations General Assembly, using the Appraisal Theory framework by Martin and White (2005). Through a qualitative descriptive approach, fifteen instances of judgment were identified and classified into Social Sanction and Social Esteem. The finding shows that Social Sanction, particularly negative Propriety, dominates the speech, with strong moral condemnation directed at global powers such as the UN Security Council and Israel, as well as the United States and other international actors who remain silent or ignore the situation, for their inaction, double standards, and violations of international law. Positive propriety affirms morally commendable actions like recognizing Palestine's statehood. Social Esteem appears through positive evaluations of Capacity and Tenacity, presenting Indonesia as competent, committed, and proactive in promoting peace and justice. No instances of Veracity or Normality were found, indicating a focus on moral conduct and social worth over truthfulness or typicality. Overall, the speech strategically combines moral criticism with affirmations of ethical leadership, reinforcing Indonesia's credibility as an ethically responsible actor in international relations and contributing to discourse analysis on how evaluative language shapes diplomatic image.

Keywords: *Appraisal Theory, Judgment, Social Sanction, Social Esteem, Retno Marsudi, UNGA Speech, Discourse Analysis*

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Penelitian ini mengkaji penggunaan bahasa penilaian (*judgment*) dalam pidato tahun 2024 yang disampaikan oleh mantan Menteri Luar Negeri Indonesia, Retno Marsudi, pada Sidang Majelis Umum PBB ke-79, dengan menggunakan kerangka *Appraisal Theory* dari Martin dan White (2005). Melalui pendekatan deskriptif kualitatif, ditemukan lima belas data *judgment* yang diklasifikasikan ke dalam *Social Sanction* dan *Social Esteem*. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa *Social Sanction*, khususnya *Propriety* negatif, mendominasi pidato, dengan kecaman moral yang kuat terhadap kekuatan global seperti Dewan Keamanan PBB, Israel, Amerika Serikat, serta aktor internasional lainnya yang diam atau mengabaikan situasi, karena tindakan tidak bertindak, standar ganda, dan pelanggaran hukum internasional. *Propriety* positif muncul untuk menegaskan tindakan etis seperti pengakuan terhadap status kenegaraan Palestina. *Social Esteem* ditemukan melalui penilaian positif terhadap *Capacity* dan *Tenacity*, yang menampilkan Indonesia sebagai negara yang kompeten, berkomitmen, dan proaktif dalam mempromosikan perdamaian dan keadilan. Tidak ditemukan *Veracity* maupun *Normality*, yang menunjukkan fokus pada perilaku moral dan nilai sosial dibandingkan pada aspek kebenaran atau kewajaran. Secara keseluruhan, pidato ini memadukan kritik moral dengan penegasan kepemimpinan etis, memperkuat kredibilitas Indonesia sebagai aktor yang bertanggung jawab secara etis di kancah internasional serta memberikan kontribusi pada kajian analisis wacana terkait peran bahasa evaluatif dalam membentuk citra diplomatik.

Kata kunci: *Appraisal Theory, Judgment, Social Sanction, Social Esteem, Retno Marsudi, Pidato UNGA, Analisis Wacana*

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