

## CHAPTER IV

### CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

#### A. Conclusion

Racism is a social issue that is rampant in society. There are many forms of racism, one of them is racial profiling. Racial profiling is racism that is specifically carried out by police and law. According to Filimon (2015) Racial profiling is an act that has a disproportionately negative impact on people of color, underprivileged people, and the homeless. The white supremacist system of domination and control breeds prejudice and violence against minorities. Referring to it, racial profiling is considered harassment by the police which can be interpreted as an act of violence. It also stated by Cleary (2000) Racial profiling is when a police officer stops, questions, makes an arrest, or conducts a search of a person based only on that person's race or ethnicity.

The *When They See Us* series (2019) is based on Central Park Five case in New York, America (1989). The depiction of racism in the series is racial profiling. Where five black and latina teenagers were victims of wrongful arrest for the rape and attempted murder of a white female runner named Trisha Meili. In the series, it is depicted that the five teenagers or the central park five boys are forced to confess to acts they did not commit. The coercion was also accompanied by torture, which constitutes discrimination. The central park five boys are minors at that

time, and when interrogated they were not accompanied by parents or lawyer.

The racial profiling component that the researcher found is the police stop, where the police and detectives stopped black teenagers and arrest them at the scene in Central Park, New York, America. Then, the second is the police arrest, where police and law enforcement arrested and found the Central Park Five boys guilty even though there was no evidence that they were involved. The third is police questions, where the police question the Central Park Five boys continuously and try to get them to lie or in other words they confess to acts they did not commit. In addition, there is police brutality, where the police discriminate by torturing, abusing, and labelling the teenagers with inappropriate names.

In addition to direct racist treatment, the depictions in the series also show racism from stereotypes or framing by white people, especially the police and the law. Even the media also broadcast some framing that leads to racism against black people. These framings include demonising black people, such as stating that black people come from the inner city from a world of marijuana, welfare, guns, indifference and knives, they coming from a fatherless land. Then, it also mentioned that the central park five boys were guilty of rape and attempted murder. So what the public understand is that the central park five boys are really guilty of this case. In fact, they were victims of wrongful arrest.

The framing done by the media made the central park five case

famous at the time. It was a case of racism, that racism as a social culture became famous and published. The framing aims to increase the fame of the news so that the news released gets a lot of viewers. The case is one that involves popular culture, there is racism itself which is a popular social culture. Therefore, the framing by the media made the case very famous and the media also get benefits from it. So the purpose of framing itself is none other than for the benefit of a media itself. The media deliberately created a framing that lead to racism againts black peple, because it was mentioned at that time that the perpetrators of the case were black and latina teenagers.

## **B. Suggestion**

In this research with the title “White Framing to The Black: The Case of Racism in USA Legals in The Netflix Series *When They See Us* (2019) Based on The Central Park Five Case (1989)” the researcher examined the form of racism and framing that lead to racism in the series that based on the central park five case as a original story of the series. The researcher also compared the research focus with the previous research about racism especially racial profiling in other popular literature. As a result, there are three component of racial profiling that occur in the *When They See Us* series and other popular literature, there are police stops, police arrest, and police questions. The researcher also found component police brutality as a one of police abuse and

discrimination that also include in racial profiling.

In contrast to this research, there is a suggestion for future research. There are to conduct a research using same theory but with a different research subject. In other words, future research can conduct research using racial profiling theory in the other of popular literature. In addition, for future research should use more than one racial profiling theory to analyze racism practice by white people especially by police and law people.