

## **CHAPTER IV**

### **CONCLUSION**

Russia was the largest fraction of The Soviet Union in Europe, after the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russia started to formulate several policies and implement the Foreign Policy of the Russian Federation. Russia formulated the concept of Russian Federation Foreign Policy to uphold Russian national interest and achieve Russian strategic national priorities, Russia also had desire to become a country which had a power and considered by its alliance and their enemy.

Since the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russia tried to establish a good relationship with its neighbor and other countries. In Russia foreign policy concepts, Russia tried to establish bilateral and multilateral relations, mutually beneficial and equal partnerships with foreign countries, inter-state associations, and international organizations. In relations with Turkey, Russia tried to build a good cooperation in several field, including in the energy, manufacture, agriculture, and tourism sectors.

The Treaty on Principles of Friendship and Cooperation which was signed by Russia and Turkey on May 25, 1992 was a form of Russia in implementing its foreign policy to establish bilateral and multilateral relations with other countries. Russia and Turkey also signed the memorandum on Cooperation Against Terrorism, it made both of the countries agreed to fight against terrorism and support the peace in the world.

Russia implemented the foreign policy guided by its national interest and international law. Russia was fully aware their responsibility to support peace and security in the world both at the global and regional levels. It made Russia committed to working with all of interest states to address common challenge. Because of that,

Russia also gave aids and support for its alliance including Syria to resolve their conflict in against terrorism.

As a support Russia towards Syria to fight against terrorism, Russia sent its military jet, namely Russian Sukhoi SU-24. Unfortunately, Russian Sukhoi SU-24 was shot down by Turkey because Russian Sukhoi U-24 broke the border of Turkey territory. Turkey shot down Russian plane on the 6.000 meters and 1 km from the Turkish border. Because Russia never acknowledged its Sukhoi SU-24 entering Turkey airspace. It became the reason why Turkey shot doen Russian Sukhoi SU-24 was disputed.

However, Turkey measured that its action was right, because every country must have respect with the right of a country to protect its border. Breaking the territory border also can threaten individual lives and livelihoods. It made Turkey has the right to use its power. Turkey as a sovereignty state has the authorization to protect its country, including using the military personnel to respond every threat in its region.

Because of that accident, Russia was angry and could not tolerate the action of Turkey. Vladimir Putin as the president of Russia responded strongly to what happened towards Russian Sukhoi SU-24. Shooting down Russian Sukhoi SU-24 which was sent by Russia to fight against terrorism. It showed that Turkey did not support the action of Russia in giving the aids towards Bashar Al-Assad regime. It made Russia thought that Turkish back stab became accomplices of terrorist.

Because of that, Russia used confrontation strategy including by giving economic sanctions and military response. The confrontation strategy of Russia became a tool to prove that Russia has capability to respond its enemy or rival. The reaction of Russia to confront the action of Turkey using economic sanctions certainly gave a big influence

towards the income of Turkey economic, because Russia was an important trading partner for Turkey.

The decree of economic sanctions towards Turkey was signed by President of Russia Vladimir Putin on November 28, 2015. The decree was able to beat the economic income of Turkey. According to the decree, Russian companies were forbidden to accept Turkish citizens employees and free visa policy between two countries will be suspended. Turkey was also prohibited to import of commodity products towards Russia. Charter air flight between Russia and Turkey was banned. Russia informed on Russia agencies tourism to do not sell the travel packages to its citizens for have a vacation to Turkey.

That policy surely made the income of trading between Russia and Turkey was decreased, After the decree of economic sanctions towards Turkey have published, several products from Turkey including fruits, vegetables, chicken, carnation and salt also were banned in Russia. However, Russia which imported tomatoes from Turkey before the economic sanction were released, got a good impact because the economic sanctions helped Russian tomato producers to become more competitive.

The decreased trading between Russia and Turkey has made several Turkey workers has experience in difficult times. The effect did not affect towards Turkey citizens in Russia but it also made the income of product export was declined. When the number of Russian tourists who visited Turkey was reduced, Turkey citizens who worked in the tourism sectors also felt the effect.

The majority of Russia also refused to have compromise with Turkey and asked Turkey to apologize because of shooting down Russian Sukhoi SU-24. According to the Russian citizens, Turkey was wrong to shoot down Russian Sukhoi SU-24 and had

to get the bilateral sanctions. It can be concluded that the policy of Russia to give several economic sanctions was also supported by Russian citizens.

According to the data, Russia showed its power to respond the action of Turkey, including decision in making the steps after Turkey shot down Russian Sukhoi SU-24. The decision making such as all of Russia operation attack in Syria should be under the escort of fighter jets of Russia. Russia will send warship with missile in Latakia coast, and the relationship between Russia and Turkey was suspended. Russia also sent warship in the Mediternia sea to increase the airspace security, it was the proof that Russia would destroy all of the targets which can be threat the interest of Russia.

When Turkey has the right to protect its border and its sovereignty, Russia also has the right to give military response, because according Russia, the action of Turkey shot down Russian Sukhoi SU-24 similarly with conscious murder. In this case, to restart bilateral relation between Russia and Turkey, Turkey must fulfill all of requirements from Russia, including apologizing for shooting the jet plane Russian Sukhoi SU-24, giving punishment for those who were responsible of the accident, and paying the damage suffered by Russia military.