CHAPTER V
CONCLUSION

This research has presented one of prolonged conflict in the international relations, which is the conflict between South Korea and North Korea. Many parties, both state and non-state, try to reconcile and solve this conflict. A lot of efforts have been done to reconcile South Korea and North Korea and build peace between those states. The effort of Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in solving this conflict has been examined by previous researchers. It proves that NGO is one of important actors in international relation.

The contemporary study of International Relations has been examined more complex issues such as peace, human rights, environment, economy, socio-culture, and so forth. This condition triggered the establishment of cross-regional organizations such as the International Governmental Organization (IGO) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGO). Nowadays, international relations no longer dominated by the state actor, but also non-state actor such as INGO/NGO. Moreover, the study of INGO/NGO is being interesting topic to examine at this time.

The problem solving between South Korea and North Korea by the governments is failed until today. Toward this situation, the non-state actor also tries to solve the conflict. A number of NGOs have involved reconciling South Korea and North Korea. Those NGO tried to build peace between the two states.
This research focused on the involvement of Global Peace Foundation (GPF) in solving the problem between South Korea and North Korea. Global Peace Foundation as a new actor in international relations that concerned on building peace also involve in solving South Korea and North Korea problem. This NGO founded by Hyun Jin Preston Moon in 2009 with 24 branch offices worldwide. Since its establishment, GPF has concerned on Korean peninsula issue and created a lot of programs bridging the division of Korea and advancing peace between the two states.

In addressing this issue, GPF tries to build peace between South Korea and North Korea through campaigning the unification of Korea as Korean dream. GPF build a grassroots movement by engaging multi-sector partners. GPF also organized several programs in order to promote the unification of Korea, such as Action for Korea United (AKU), Korean Unification Forum Series, Humanitarian Projects, One K Concert, U-Dream Project, and Unification Project for foreign student and North Korea defector. Through those projects, GPF has been successful in promoting and raising the awareness of people toward the unification of Korea.

The conflict between South Korea and North Korea has given a big impact on international security and peace. In building peace, the civil society movement also involves in realize it. This research found that NGO also has big contribution in building peace and creating the global changes. In this case, as an INGO which concern on peacebuilding, GPF always tries to build peace between South Korea and North Korea, engages all parties to involve in humanitarian projects in
support North Korea people and promote the unification of Korea in regional and international level.

This research found that South Korea and North Korea conflict caused by the different of ideology and the desire to unify Korea under each ideology. Based on this problem, GPF tries to build peace between South Korea and North Korea and unify the Korea by using Hongik Ingan philosophy and GPF’s vision is One Family under God. In unification process, GPF also engaged many parties, such as the government, corporate, interfaith leader, civil society organization, and so forth in realizing the unification as Korean dream.

By using the concept of Peace and NGO’s role, this research has been success in answering the research question and proving the hypothesis that the effort of GPF in building peace between South Korea and North Korea is through campaigning the unification of Korea. Because of the campaign, GPF can execute its mission in building peace between South Korea and North Korea to achieve prosperity and sustainable peace in Northeast Asia and the world. This research has been successful in presented the effort of GPF in building peace between South Korea and North Korea through campaigning the unification of Korea by building social engagement and partnership between the government and society.

According to the writer, the effort of NGO and its cooperation with other organization, society and government can be a power in building peace and creating social transformation. The action of GPF has got a lot of attentions and good response from many parties such as society, government, and other
organizations. The GPF have a big contribution in reconcile and building peace between South Korea and North Korea. The effort of GPF in building peace between South Korea and North Korea proved that the effort of non-state actor is also important in solving the problem in international relations.

The writer believes that this research still has many shortcomings, due to the lack of knowledge and limited of the references relating to this research. The writer hopes that this research can be useful in international study and increase the knowledge for the reader.