

CHAPTER 2

THE RELATION BETWEEN QATAR AND UNITED ARAB EMIRATES BEFORE DISPUTE

The conflict where was happened in the middle of middle east countries is a diplomatic conflict. Political war toward the differences of ideology in several countries was the primary reason for Qatar's conflict with his neighbors. This topic also has been the hot issues in the middle of that year on the middle east.

On 5 June 2017, at the same time Saudi Arabian, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, and Egypt were cut off the diplomatic relation with Qatar country. Following the action of Saudi Arabian, Yaman, Lybia, and Maladewa also follow to cut the diplomatic relation with Qatar country by getting out the people and the diplomat representative from Qatar country out from their countries. Qatar accused has supported the terrorist activity like Al-Qaeda, Islamic State and the Ikhwanul Muslimin. Qatar also considered as an unresponsible and neutral country with what has been agreed by the committed with the gulf cooperation council (GCC) agreement. GCC was established in 1981, consist of Oman, UAE, Saudi Arabian, Qatar, Bahrain, and Kuwait. (Alhadar, 2017)At the first GCC was formed in anticipation of the seepage of the Iran-Iraq war (1980-1988).

Besides the hot issues happens in Qatar, firstly we should know the necessary power of Qatar itself until making a significant influence in the middle of the Gulf countries. Qatar is a small kingdom in the Persian Gulf. The population is only 2.6 million, of which the majority (around 2 million) are foreign workers. However, with such great wealth and has supported by the electronic and print media such as Al-Jazeera television, Asharq Al-Awsat daily, Rayah daily, Al-Watan daily, and the QNA official news (Alhadar, 2017). Qatar seeks to gain a significant role in regional and international politics by supporting Islamic movements, which Qatar sees as a force that will play a significant role in the regional stage and the Islamic world in the future.

Now Qatar is one of the centers of attention of the world community. After seven countries, especially in the Middle East,

broke their diplomatic relations with Qatar because they were accused of supporting extremism and terrorism which is where the action is beyond the safe line of their agreement. A few decades ago, Qatar was no more than a fishing area that entered the British protectorate. This country became independent in 1971.

Qatar has become a key player, both regionally and globally, in recent years, marked among others by the success of the country hosting the 2022 World Cup. Beyond that, the Al-Jazeera television station, which is owned by the government, established itself as one of the leading international media.

In the political sphere, Qatar is trying to become the primary sponsor of the peace negotiations between the warring parties in Afghanistan. Moreover, soon found one of the world's largest liquefied natural gas (LNG) reserves, number three after Russia and Iran. With LNG reserves reaching 900 trillion cubic feet, Qatar is the largest LNG exporter in the world. Oil and gas revenues make the country's average per capita income reached more than the US \$ 100,000, far beyond the United States or Britain (Susilo, 2017).

Qatar has been one of the wealthiest countries in the world. Qatar may be only a small country with a population of around 2.1 million people. The size of the country is also not much, only 11.5 thousand kilometers. However, somehow the population in neighboring Saudi Arabia is so prosperous. Besides, development continues. Here indicates that the country continues to grow and experiences a process of progress that is so fast. So that at present with disputes with neighboring countries can have a considerable impact.

However, with the acceleration of development that is so fast, it is also impossible to happen automatically. Here is where the role of diplomatic relations exists. In this chapter, I will describe some of the cooperation between Qatar and other Middle Eastern countries, especially with the United Arab Emirates. In this chapter we will look before the occurrence of conflict, what kind of situation happened between these countries. Moreover, some of the data will be used as one of the considerations for the confusion of Qatar action against the ongoing conflict to continue to provide its gas supply to the United Arab Emirates or even stop its gas supply.

A. Gulf Cooperation Council

The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf as the original name of the Gulf Cooperation Council or we usually call by GCC. GCC is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union consisting of all Arab states of the Persian Gulf except Iraq. Its member states are Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates. The Charter of the Gulf Cooperation Council was signed on 25 May 1981, formally establishing the institution.

In the beginning, this collaboration was made to anticipate the movement of Iran at that time, where Iran became one of the different ideological camps with the Arabs so that they made anticipation to defeat Iran. However, now its function has grown even beyond its original function. This union was formed to control the economy and politics of the Arab nation to become a unity. Some of the things that are most prioritized in this mission are about how to harmonize the Arab nation with the public market as well as the currency and customs. Because with a stable economy, the nation will become more prosperous whereas many advantages of each country can be a strength of mutual support among other countries.

Some examples of relationships that are beneficial for some countries can be seen from the following example. This region has some of the fastest growing economies in the world, mainly due to the explosion in oil and gas revenues coupled with building and investment booms supported by decades of stored oil revenues. To build a tax base and economic foundation before the reserves run out, the UAE's investment arm, including the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority, maintains more than \$ 900 billion in assets. Other regional funds also have several billion dollars of assets under management. This region is also a hotspot that appears for various events, including the 2006 Asian Games in Doha, Qatar. Doha also submitted a failed application for the 2016 Summer Olympics. Qatar was then chosen to host the 2022 FIFA World Cup.

The public market is also more integrated, allowing full equality among GCC citizens to work in government and the private sector, social insurance and pension coverage, real estate ownership, capital movements, access to education, health and other social services in all member countries. Moreover, this is one of the most prominent links between all members of the Gulf Cooperation Council. Although there are still many obstacles that occur to realize the public market, their priorities remain in the continuity of the public market project. Apart from the financial sector, the GCC also aims to help and accelerate growth in the development sector. Here it was evident that the purpose of the policy is to accelerate the level of progress of each member country. GCC realizes that the level of state progress can be seen from the economic stability and acceleration of development that occurred from the country. So the goal of the GCC itself is no longer like their goal at the beginning which only aims to anticipate the movement of Iran, but now how members of GCC can become superpower countries.

So this is where the role of cooperation between the Gulf Cooperation Council is established. in order to stabilize the economy and political interests for the benefit of each member in the collaboration. Qatar often has differences of opinion with other councilors. Here often happens before the conflict in 2017 is. At present, Qatar has become one of the largest gas exporters in the world, while GCC itself is still focused on developing its oil resources. However, Qatar is still a member of the co-operation council.

B. QADIC (Qatar Abu Dhabi Investment Company)

Qadic is a form of cooperation between Qatar and the United Arab Emirates. Qadic itself is an extension of Qatar and Abu Dhabi Investment Company. This collaboration has been established between the government and the government in these two countries. So the investment company is directly controlled by the respective state government agencies. No longer as an MNC company that works with the government. However, this

is a breakthrough from the governments of each country (Jones & Jalbert, n.d.).

IPIC with its own Qatar company formed this intergovernmental collaboration. IPIC itself is an international oil company investor. IPIC itself is a long-term investment partnership that has been established in more than ten countries and five continents in the world (report, 2008). While Qatar as the most abundant gas exporting country in the world saw such an exciting opportunity to be able to cooperate with the giant company owned by Abu Dhabi.

It is a multi-billion dollar private equality fund with a global mandate, run out of Doha and will focus on promising fast-growing sectors.

The sentence is the primary objective and priority mandate of the formation of the QADIC company itself. The countries of Qatar and the United Arab Emirates are two countries on the Arabian Gulf peninsula, each of which has different strengths, making each of those countries considered rich and prosperous countries of the Arab nation. This is one reason for them also to establish QADIC itself. The Arab emirate is very rich in petroleum and even the investor relations not only come from the Middle East but have penetrated Europe and Asia. Qatar has also become a prosperous country by becoming the largest gas producer in the world. Now collaborating to form QADIC as a means to accelerate economic growth for each of these countries.

This company has the specialist sectors such as financial investment, investment In the chemical, petroleum, petrochemical and real estate fields, financial investment in commercial and industrial companies and project (Justia, 2018). This company has owned by IPIC corporate in 50% of the shareholder. This company has suitable land in Doha, Qatar.

C. MDC Care (Medical Care)

MDC care is the same as a system of cooperation with several Gulf countries. utHowever, MDC care itself is a health company engaged in health services established in the United Arab Emirates in Dubai in 2007. The company has several

members spread across several Gulf countries including Qatar itself. We are members of a group of companies, working in the United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Qatar, Kuwait, and Oman. In our company, we cover many fields in Respiratory Care, Physiotherapy, Rehabilitation, Medical and Diagnostic Equipment, Mobility Care, Lifestyle products. MDC care itself is not only a company that stands for community health. MDC has the principle of their mission in building this business, excellent service with our professionals depends on our own skilled and professional staff because we believe that they are the foundation of everything we do.

As a leading regional health service provider regarding services and products. MDC care itself has a mission that is so important in the establishment of this institution. With a mission to provide modern, innovative and sustainable solutions with reliable value and quality for customers (mdc, n.d.).

MDC care itself has three parts of their business unit. First, they share it in the medical solution section, and then the second goes to the operations section and the last one the business unit will stop at the service part of the previous business unit. From the medical solution itself, the MDC care company has prepared adequate servants with complete equipment and workers who handle very skillfully and even accurately. Some of the medical solutions offered in this company include critical care, respiratory care, physiotherapy and rehabilitation, disposable items or one-time consumption as well as pharmaceutical items and even more general items.

Our Operations Department is concerned with managing and directing the company's physical and technical functions. With the help of on-site engineers, sales teams, logistics, and call centers, we can ensure that we meet customer and end-user demands in minimum time and complete satisfaction. From the two departments that have been mentioned, it was evident that this company will provide the best service.

MDC care itself provides their best treats at the service unit. Their servants were taken from experienced engineers. MDC Care is proud to employ Professional Engineers, Field

Technicians, and Support personnel who receive interdisciplinary cross training. Our dedicated service coordination team coordinates customer service, organizes, distributes and verifies the work of others to ensure a smooth workflow and direct response to customer needs. When people leave the hospital, they may need intensive support to help them get back on their feet. As a provider of home health care, MDC Care Medical offers a variety of services for patients with natural care needs, including a variety of home health care services.

MDC has offered the best health services. As a developed country, Qatar also took this opportunity to make one of the best health servants become its partner. What's more, this company has taken steps to cooperate with several other Gulf countries. One of the characteristics of an advanced country makes health one of the main characteristics. Health services that can be relied upon so much that they form the comfort of their patients are very much one of the barometers in assessing the country's stability.

It can be seen from some Qatar cooperation with several other neighboring countries that is not the thing that can be counted on the fingers. The three examples above are only examples of each group from cooperation that has a high level of commitment with several other countries such as the GCC followed by other collaborations. Then followed by intergovernmental cooperation that was established between Qatar and the United Arab Emirates itself, and finally between private companies joined together with its objectives such as previous cooperation to increase the level of progress of the members of the collaboration.

Here we see a point of similarity. All models of cooperation produce the same goal. Namely how the interests of the state can be realized. Whether from a line between governments or passing certain institutions outside the area of the government of that country. All average collaborations tend to create accelerated growth, causing a significant fold for the political and even economic sectors of each country.