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EKKAPOLLANUT NUTTHAPHATTHANUNTH: INTERACTIONS BETWEEN STATE, MOVEMENT AND COUNTERMOVEMENT: THE CASE STUDY OF THE RED SHIRTS' POLITICAL MOVEMENT FROM 2006-2010. ADVISOR: ASSOC. PROF. PRAPART PINTOBTANG, Ph.D., 719 pp.

The purposes of this research are to explain the political phenomena of Thailand's political crisis between the red shirts, Thai state and countermovements, to create the mathematical models for explaining the interactions between those political actors and to explore the mechanism and processes involving those interactions. This research's time frame was between 2006 and 2010. There were two research methodologies used in this study. Firstly, the qualitative methodology was about interpreting the diplomatic cables from the U.S. Embassy Bangkok and the U.S. Consulate Chiang Mai. Secondly, the quantitative methodology was about collecting the questionnaires from the national survey of the red shirts. And then I have analyzed them with several statistic techniques i.e. Correlation Analysis, Multiple Linear Regression Analysis and Multiple Logistic Regression Analysis. These tests of hypotheses are at the statistical significance level 0.05.

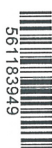
The research finding is the political participation of the red shirts movement can be explained by the demographic factors only 12 percent with age, area of birth place and gender. The Dynamic and Interactive Framework show that more the people don't have patron-client networks and don't satisfy undemocratic government, more the people participate in the red shirts' movement. The Transformation of Contention Frameworks show that the political issues about "eliminating double standard and feudal figures" and "demanding democracy" originate the identities for the red shirts' movement. And the Revolutionary Trajectories Frameworks show that the red shirts have commitments with democracy. They strongly agree with the statement "Democracy may have its problems, but it is better than any other form of government." Moreover, the traditional social structure and the trust between Thai people have the very influence for the red shirts, so they will not be transformed to the revolutionary movement.

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