CHAPTER THREE

CONCLUSION

After I have finished reading and analyzing the novel, I conclude that Tom Clancy is very skillful in creating such a good story. He creates the story full of actions and investigations. This makes the story have a good element of plot.

The first suspense is about the assassination of the commander of the FBI’s Net Force named Steve Day and the assassin is a professional as he leaves no clues on the murder scene. This suspense makes the readers thrilled by the incident and start asking who the cold-blooded assassin is. They also wonder if the FBI can succeed in solving the case. The suspense is answered by a surprise when the FBI get some information from Carver, one of Day’s men in the unit, to start the investigation. As the commander of Net Force, Steve Day has succeeded in catching and putting the New York City Five Families’s members in jail. It seems that Ray Genaloni wants to take revenge on Steve Day for putting some of his members in jail, which becomes a strong motive for him to kill Steve Day. From the reasoning above, the first suspense and surprise become acceptable and believable.
The second suspense shows when the FBI and the President of the United States are discussing Day’s case. They suspect Ray Genaloni as the one who is responsible for Day’s murder case. This suspense makes the readers curious to know whether Genaloni is really involved in Day’s assassination. The suspense is answered by a surprise when the FBI find that Ray Genaloni is assassinated by a professional assassin. It seems that the assassin has a personal mission that needs to be completed. The readers become more curious about the story. From the analysis above, the second suspense and surprise can be acceptable and believable.

The third suspense happens when a professional assassin tries to assassinate Alex Michaels. This suspense makes the readers expect to know whether the assassin will succeed in assassinating Alex Michaels. The suspense is answered by a surprise when Alex Michaels can survive from the assassination that the assassin will do to him. When Alex hears a little dog bark after seeing a cat passing, he turns to see it and finds out that there is an old lady coming from behind with a baseball bat ready to swing it to smash him. Fortunately, he can reach the alarm button and press the firing stud, which makes the assassin run. From the explanation above, the third suspense and surprise become acceptable and believable.

The fourth suspense shows when the FBI try to catch Mora Sullivan, a professional assassin who is believed to be responsible for Steve Day’s assassination. This suspense makes the readers curious whether the professional assassin, Mora Sullivan, is the real assassin of Steve Day. The suspense is answered by a surprise when Alex Michaels and Toni Fiorella catch Mora
Sullivan. When they do the interrogation, Mora Sullivan confesses that she kills Ray Genaloni but not Steve Day. She wants to remove her tracks as one of Genaloni’s left-hand by murdering Ray Genaloni. Mora Sullivan has no relationship with Steve Day’s assassination. It raises the readers’ tension to know the real assassin of Steve Day. From the sentences above, the fourth suspense and surprise are proven to be acceptable and believable.

The fifth suspense shows when the FBI’s Net Force computer programmer named Jay Gridley gives information that Vladimir Plekhanov, a computer hacker from Russia, is trying to sabotage the Net Force’s main system, which may lead to a civil war. This suspense makes the readers curious whether the Russian hacker, Vladimir Plekhanov, is involved in sabotaging the Net Force's main system. The suspense is answered by a surprise; when the FBI interrogate him, it turns out that he does not only want to sabotage Net Force’s main system, but he is also the one who is responsible for Steve Day’s death. Plekhanov wants to sabotage Net Force’s main system and start a civil war in the United States of America. However, he needs the key to get into it. The key is only owned by Commander Steve Day. Plekhanov has to kill the Commander to get the key so that he can have an access into the system. From the clarification above, the fifth suspense and surprise are considered to be acceptable and believable.

In my opinion, Tom Clancy’s success in writing this novel has come from the interesting subject of the novel and the good development of the plot, especially the suspense. Tom Clancy can write such a story, in which the solution of the case is held back in order to raise the readers’ tension. He can lead the
readers to a point where they will always wonder what will happen next to the story.

Based on my analysis above, I can say that *Net Force* is a good novel. It tells about an investigation to uncover the mystery of the assassination of the Commander of the FBI’s Net Force. The actions and investigations in the storyline give the readers the feeling of suspense and surprise. The suspense is answered by a good surprise. In reading the suspense we will find that it is logically answered by the surprise; as a result, the readers will find that the suspense and surprises in the artistic unity are acceptable and believable. It makes the novel worth to read. Because of its success, Tom Clancy’s *Net Force* was adapted into a movie in 1999.