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**ABSTRAK** 

Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti menerapkan pendekatan feminis dari Beauvoir

(1949). Sumber data adalah novel The Handmaid's Tale karya Margaret

Atwood. Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti akan membahas novel The Handmaid's

Tale karya Margaret Atwood dengan tujuan mengungkap keberadaan

perempuan sebagai second sex dan penindasan yang diterima perempuan

dalam novel The Handmaid's Tale karya Margaret Atwood. Dalam penelitian

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ini. Hasil dari penelitian ini peneliti menemukan keberadaan perempuan

sebagai second sex dan penindasan yang diterima perempuan dalam novel

The Handmaid's Tale karya Margaret Atwood.

Katakunci: Seks kedua. Penindasan dan Feminisme

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**ABSTRACT** 

In this study, the researcher applied the feminist approach of Beauvoir (1949). The data

source is the novel The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood. In this study, the researcher

will discuss the novel The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood with the aim of revealing

the existence of women as second sex and the oppression received by women in the novel

The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood. In this study, the researcher used a qualitative

descriptive method. The data took and analysed in the form of words and sentences. Thus this

research was conducted in order to realize some questions that can be solved in this study.

The results of this study, researchers found the existence of women as second sex and

oppression received by women in the novel The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood.

Key words: second sex, oppression and feminism

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There is surely a future hope for you, and your hope will not be cut off.

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