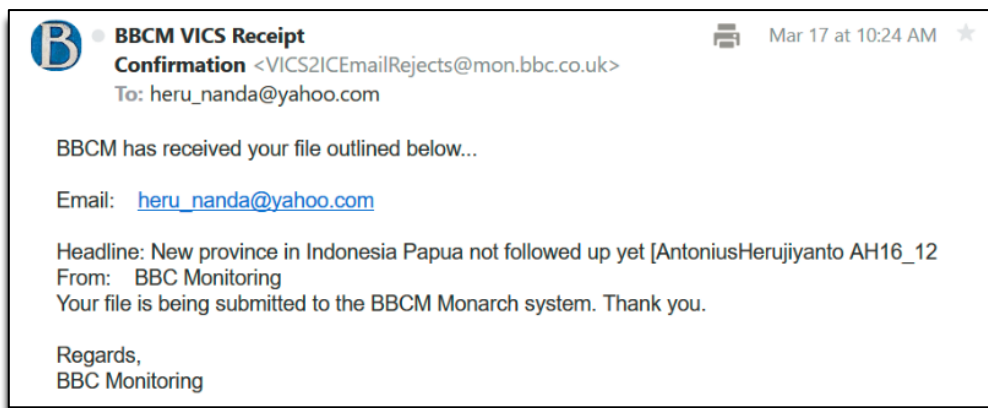


# New Province in Indonesia Papua Not Followed Up Yet



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During the Sunday meeting (on 11 March) with the General Chairman of the Islamic Crescent Star Party or PBB Yusril Ihza Mahendra in Sorong, Papua province, the Chairman of the Committee on establishing South West Papua province, Josaphat Kambu, demanded fulfilment of an agreement made by the Indonesian government during President Megawati's administration (2001-2004). Administratively, the Indonesia Papua would be divided, thus, into three provinces, Papua province, West Papua province, and South West Papua province.

Mentioning that the governor of Papua province and the Regional House of Representatives or DPRD had issued their agreement on the new province, Josaphat said that MRP or the Papua People Council had also recommended about it. The new province would cover the city of Sorong and six regencies, namely, the Regency of Sorong, Sorobg Selatan, Raja Ampat, Maybrat and Tambraw. According to Yusril Ihza Mahendra, not only is having more provinces [having three instead of two provinces] with their special autonomous economy very important for guarding and maintaining NKRI or the Unitary Republic of Indonesia, but it will also make the administration affairs of the large land of Papua more efficiently managed.

Mentioning that the size of Indonesia Papua is bigger than its neighbour Papua New Guinea (PNG), he said PNG has got 27 provinces. He also promised Monday (on 12 March) to look into the existing documents before reminding and insisting DPR or the House of Representatives Jakarta to as soon as possible deliberate the case of establishing new South West Papua province.

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