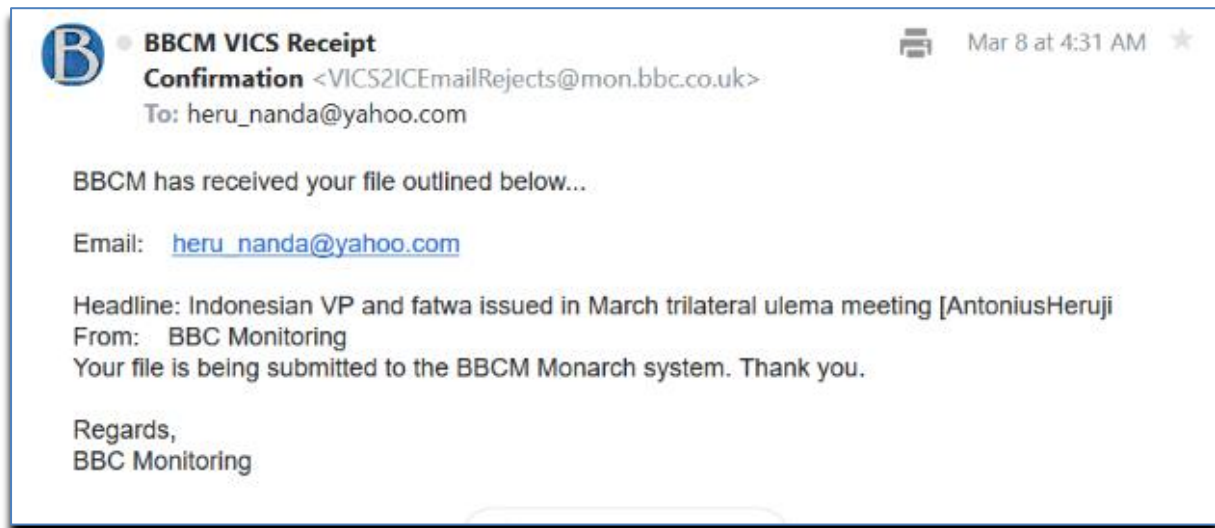


Indonesian VP and Fatwa Issued in March Trilateral Ulema Meeting



Vice-President Muhammad Jusuf Kalla (Wapres JK), accompanied by Foreign Minister Retno Lestari Priansari Marsudi, has held a closed meeting with the management of MUI or the Indonesian Ulema Council at its Jakarta office. The meeting, held on Tuesday (6 March), talked about the follow up of MUI's idea for ulema from Indonesia, Afghanistan, and Pakistan to have a trilateral meeting scheduled to take place in Jakarta on 26-28 March.

During the press conference held after the closed meeting, Wapres JK said that it was to discuss about the preparation for the trilateral meeting. He also explained about the high expectations for the ulema from the three countries to produce fatwa or religious rulings and agreements on how to face and deal with the present conflicts taking place in Afghanistan.

Mentioning the importance of the fatwa, Wapres JK said that it was similar to Indonesian Muslims who would listen to their ulema, the people in Afghanistan would also listen to theirs.

It was reported earlier that Vice-President Jusuf Kalla had recently been invited to come to Afghanistan to follow up the Indonesian support to the peaceful process there including to become the guess keynote speaker, sharing his experiences as one of those efforts to create peace in the so-called Kabul Peace Process.

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