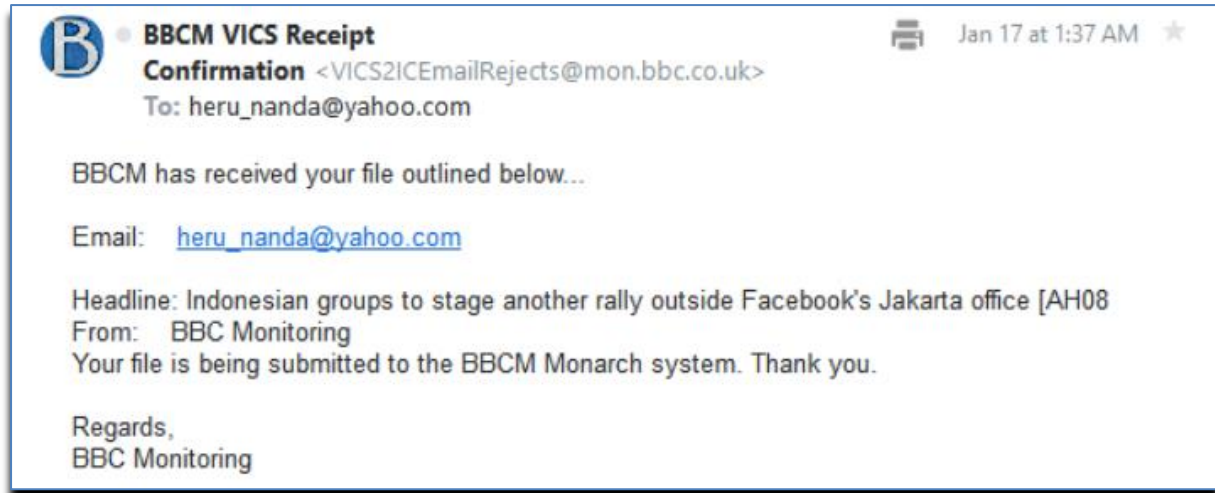


Indonesian Groups To Stage Another Rally Outside Facebook's Jakarta Office



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The Alliance Refusing Tyrannical Facebook or ARTF comprising of some (militant) Islamic groups has staged a rally outside Facebook's Jakarta headquarters over the social media giant's decision to block their online activities. It took place on Friday (12 January).

Disagreeing with the ban, they demanded that Facebook should have been always impartial towards its customers. It would not be appropriate at all for the social media to become an instrument voicing the interests of certain party or institution.

According to the co-ordinator of the rally, cleric Ali Abu Bakar Alatas, unless Facebook provides them with positive responses to their demand, they will stage another peaceful rally with more participants outside Facebook's office at 49 Floor in Capital Place building, South Jakarta.

He also said that the very Mark Zuckerberg's Social Media Company not to tyrannically treat Indonesian Muslims' online accounts, since they likely carry good information, refusing hate speeches' materials.

Mentioning that Facebook needed to be transparent, the cleric demanded that the social media giant to be careful and concerned with Indonesian Muslims who were the majority population of the country.

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