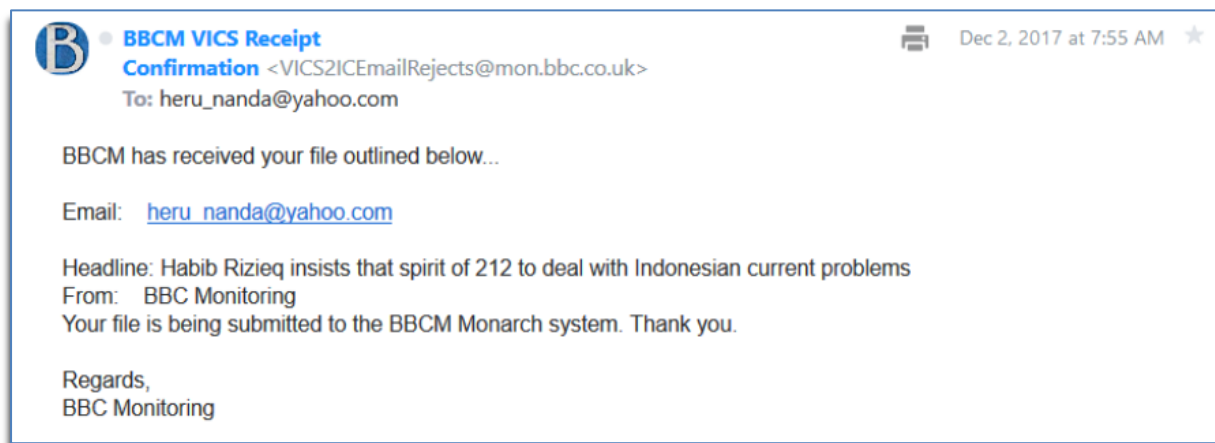


Habib Rizieq Insists That Spirit of 212 To Deal with Indonesian Current Problems



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The Great Imam of the Defenders of Islam Front or FPI, Habib Rizieq Syihab [who has been staying in Mecca, Saudi Arabia since last May], has “delivered” his speech in the National Congress of 212 Alumni at the auditorium of a private building of the Indonesian Hajj Brotherhood of PHI, Central Jakarta (on 30 November-01 December). The committee chairman of the congress, cleric Bernard Abdul Jabbar, had presented cleric Rizieq’s recorded speech in the event.

Habib Rizieq said that 212 reunion rally and congress was not only about blasphemy and regional or/and presidential elections. He mentioned other Indonesian Muslims’ problems in dealing with Law and socio-economy as well as politics and education in the country.

He also insisted, thus, that the 212 spirit was still there to deal with all the problems. The end goals were nothing else but to defend Islam, Indonesian nation and NKRI [the Unitary Republic of Indonesia].

It was reportedly said that the congress was attended by the representatives of Muslims from 22 [out of 33] provinces in the country. The venue of the congress should also be suddenly moved from the state building of Hajj Boarding House, Pondok Gede, East Jakarta [due to, among others, the unclear aims of the event].

Some noted Islamic figures have attended the event. They were, among others, Amien Rais (senior politician), Taufiq Ismail (senior poet), Natalius Pigai (Papuan activist), cleric Cholil Ridwan (senior Islamic activist), and Syarwan Hamid (former Minister).

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