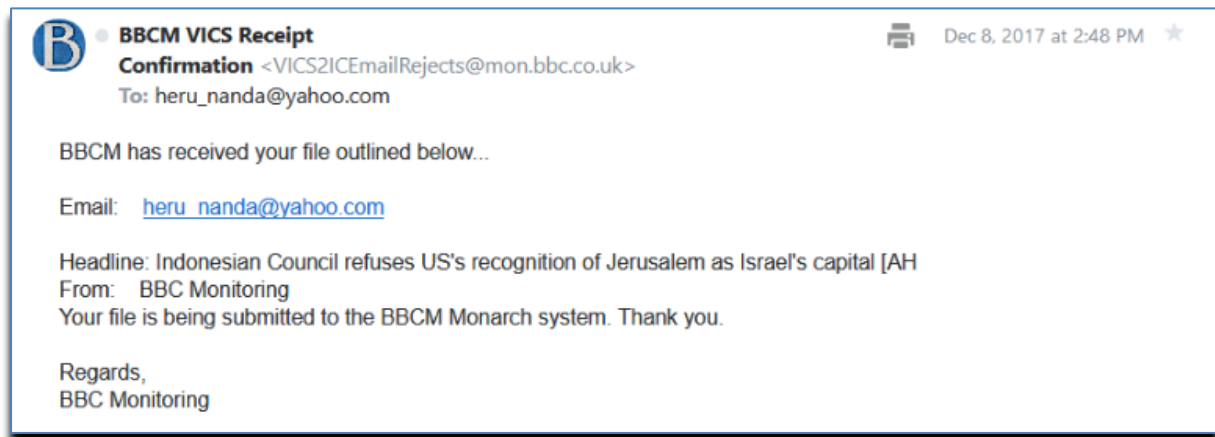


Indonesian Council Refuses US's Recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's Capital



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The Vice-General Chairman of the Indonesian Ulema Council or MUI, cleric Majelis Ulama Indonesia (MUI), Zainut Tauhid Sa'adi, has said that the US President Donald Trump's recent recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital would only threaten the on-going peace process, leading to a renewed outbreak of violence in the region.

"MUI strongly refuses the US's action to recognise Jerusalem as Israel's capital and to move the US embassy from Tel Aviv to the city," the cleric was quoted as saying by mui.or.id. in Jakarta on Thursday (7 December).

According to the cleric, the very decision of President Donald Trump certainly hurts the feelings of Muslims all over the world. Not only will such an action potentially escalate tensions in the Middle East, but it will also complicate the world's situation.

"The US's new policy will, indeed, encourage fanaticism and violent actions, threatening the on-going peace process," cleric Zainut said, adding that the future of the people of Palestine would become uncertain.

He also said that President Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital was against the resolution of the UN's Security Council on stopping Israel's building settlements in East Jerusalem. Indirectly, such a recognition would reinforce the idea that Israeli settlements in East Jerusalem were valid and justified.

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