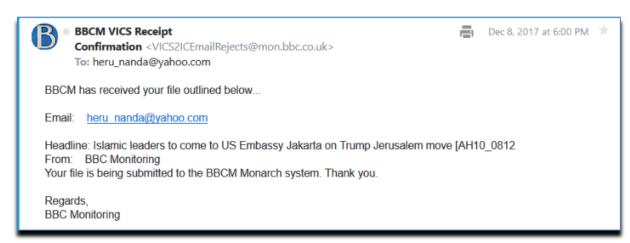
Islamic Leaders To Come to US Embassy Jakarta on Trump Jerusalem Move



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The Secretary General of NU [the largest Islamic community organization in Indonesia], cleric Helmy Faishal Zaini, has said that the representatives of all NU wings will come to the US Embassy Jakarta on Friday (8 December) after performing the Friday prayers. He said that hundreds of them would like to express and explain NU's response to the US President Donald Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

The cleric's statement was made during a press conference held in NU building Jakarta on Thursday (7 December).

According to the cleric, the representatives of all NU wings will point out that President Trump Jerusalem move will be detrimental to the US.

He also said that Baitul Maqdis or Al-Quds or Jerusalem was supposed to be the capital of Palestine. The US new policy would, therefore, escalate tensions in the Middle East countries and even threaten and complicate the world peace.

Condemning President Trump's inappropriate attitude, cleric Helmy said that the US would only make Israeli oppression against the people of Palestine become a never ending scene of Palestinian misery.

The cleric encouraged the Indonesian government to be pro-actively participating in finding the best solution to the crisis taking place in Palestine.

He also believed that there would be more and more people from many different countries especially in Asia and Middle East who would urge their governments to expel the US Ambassadors and all American diplomats.

To him, the US new policy is a form of violating human rights and the UN agreement.

Source: Andi,<u>hidayatullah/berita/nasional/read/2017/12/07/129915/ratusan-pengurus-nu-akan-datangi-kedubes-as-besok.html,</u> "Ratusan Pengurus NU akan Datangi Kedubes AS Besok (Hundreds of NU leaders to come to US Embassy in Jakarta, protesting against its new policy in Israel)", in Indonesian, 07 Dec 17.

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