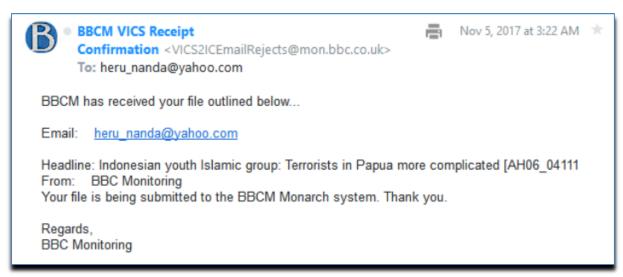
Indonesian Youth Islamic Group: Terrorists in Papua More Complicated



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The General Chairman of Pemuda Muhammadiyah [the youth wing of Muhammadiyah, the second largest Islamic community organization in Indonesia), Dahnil Anzar Simanjuntak, has said that the terrorist OPM [Free Papua Movement] is more complicated than those of Santoso group [the East Indonesia Mujahidin (MIT), a terrorist network in Poso, Central Sulawesi]. He said that the separatism actions conducted in Papua should be called terrorism actions.

"Their acts are similar to those of terrorists. The National Police [Polri] should co-operate with the Indonesian military [TNI]," he was quoted as saying by *Kiblat.net* in Jakarta on Friday (3 November).

According to him, such co-operative operations have been carried out in Poso.

He admitted, however, the case of OPM seemed to be more complicated.

"Separatism in Papua is very complicated since the members of OPM are much more than those of MIT. The government will need extra efforts to deal with OPM," said Dahnil.

It was reported earlier that the office of the sub-district police (Mapolsek) in Tembagapura, Jayapura, was attacked by OPM (led by Sabinus Waker) on Sunday (29 October).

The shooting out between the police and OPM could not be avoided from taking place. The government, then, announced the security status of "Siaga 1" [First Alert] in Tembagapura area.

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