

Alumni 212 Meeting with Jokowi Supposed off the Record



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The (radical) Islamic important figures have met with President Joko "Jokowi" Widodo in Bogor Presidential Palace, West Java. The close meeting was supposed to be a secret one.

During their press conference held on Wednesday (25 April) they said that they would urge Jokowi to investigate the leaking and the publication of their Bogor meeting (on 22 April) including the photographs of the event.

The Chairman of the so-called Team 11, cleric Misbahul Anam, said that the meeting was a close one and supposed to be off the record.

According to him, there was not even one journalist there to cover the meeting.

Regretting that the even had been widely published and spread up in social media, the cleric believed that a "certain" third party had an inappropriate intention, pitting President Joko "Jokowi" Widodo against the (radical) Islamic important figures.

The cleric also blamed on the palace management for not taking or showing enough care and attention on guarding the state secret.

Convincing that the meeting deals with one single issue, he said that it was about the criminalization of Islamic important figures. The Team 11 expected that Jokowi would follow up their previous meeting (which took place in Jakarta State Palace nine months ago), to immediately stop the criminalization policy (against Islamic important figures and the 212 Islamic activists).

[A union of Islamic hardliners groups, named Presidium Alumni 212, was formed after the December 2, 2016 mass protest against former Jakarta Governor Basuki "Ahok" Tjahaja Purnama. They also called the people attending the one-day "alumni".]

Team 11 comprises of Misbahil Anam (Chairman), Muhammad Al-Khaththath (Secretary), and nine members, namely, Abdul Rasyid Abdullah Syafii, Abah Roud Bahar, Slamet Maarif, Usamah Hisyam, Shabri Lubis, Muhammad Husni Thamrin, Nur Sukma, Yusuf M Martak, and Aru Syeif Asyadullah.

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