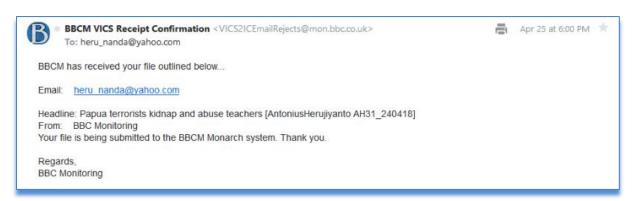


Papua Terrorists Kidnap and Abuse Teachers



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The former Commissioner of Komnasham or the National Commission on Human Rights, Maneger Nasution, has said that another terrorism action has been conducted by Papua Armed Separatist Groups towards the people in Papua. Not only did they kidnap and torture nine elementary school teachers, but they also seized their belongings. One of the teachers was reportedly raped by three members of the groups.

The violent actions took place in Kampung Aroanop, Tembagapura, Papua province on Friday (13 April).

According to Nasution, who is also the Director of the Human Rights Study Centre of Hamka University, instead of calling them KSB or the armed separatists groups, the Indonesian government should have called them KKSB or the armed criminal groups.

Criticizing that the government has not been concerned with the victims as expected, he said that the government should have immediately investigated the KKSB's obvious violation against human rights.

He said that the government should professionally and independently provide the witnesses with significant protection. The Culture and Elementary and Secondary Education Minister should also concretely act, providing the very teachers with their constitutional rights. After all their dignity have been abused by the disgusting KKSB in Papua.

Appreciating both the Indonesian national Police (Polri) and the Indonesian Armed Forces (TNI) for having been successfully releasing the teachers from being kidnapped by KKSB, he demanded that President Joko Widodo make a political decision on handling KKSB's cases in Papua. This way, TNI and Polri would not be haunted or threatened for having violated human rights in conducting their actions against KKSB (which are led by Joni Botak and Sabinus Waker) in Papua.

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