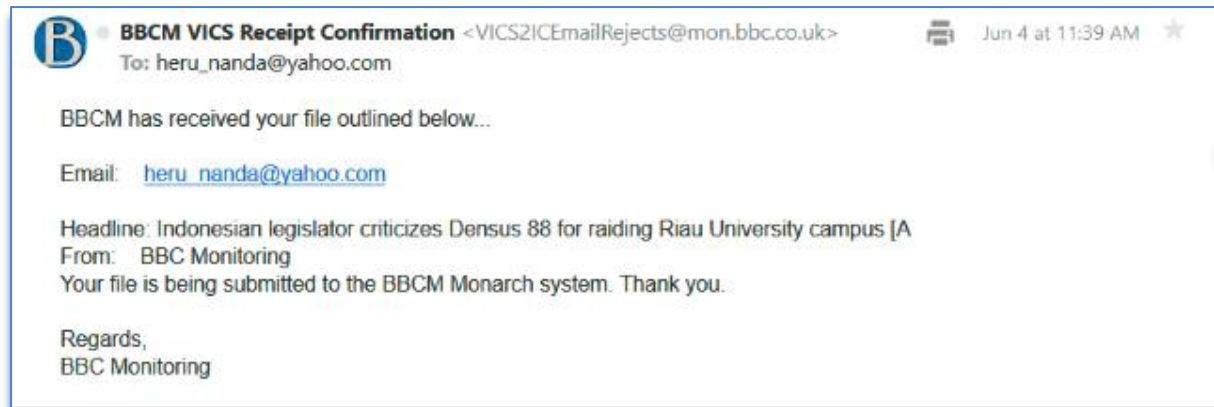


Indonesian Legislator Criticizes Densus 88 for Raiding Riau University Campus



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The Vice-Speaker of DPR or the House of Representatives, Fahri Hamzah, has strongly criticized *Densus 88 Antiteror* or the police's Detachment 88 anti-terrorism squad for having raided and ransacked Gelanggang Mahasiswa FISIP [Faculty of Social and Political Science] building at Riau University, Pekanbaru. The actions took place on Saturday (2 June).

Not only did the very vocal critic of the government strongly stated that the squad's actions were very inappropriate, but he also condemned them for carrying machine guns in university campus.

Mentioning that places such as university campus, parliament buildings, and hospitals should be no carrying-guns areas, he wrote Saturday (on 2 June) in his twitter account @Fahrihamzah, asking what the world would say when Riau State University [UNRI] campus was assumed to be a nest of terrorist?

He also used many other different strong words to criticize Densus 88 Antiteror. [Fahri seemed to have suffered from getting nailed this time.]

According to the spokesperson of Polri [the National Indonesian Police], Inspector General Setyo Wasisto, however, the squad actions are in line with SOP [the Standard Operational Procedures] in dealing with alleged terrorists.

In the meantime, many different Indonesian media including *Kompas* and *Tempo* daily, carried reports [on 3 June] saying that during its raid, Densus 88 arrested three Riau University alumni for an alleged terror attack plot.

They were identified as MNZ alias Zam-Zam alias Z from the Tourism Department who enrolled at the campus in 2005, RB alias D (34) from the Communications Science Department (2002) and OS alias K (32) from the Public Administration Department (2004).

The Rector of UNRI, Aras Mulyadi, said that they had been staying at the Gelanggang Mahasiswa FISIP building's secretariat for a month.

The building is the central student facilities such as home to theatres, martial arts studios and student newspapers. Many alumni, who used to be student activists, often still came to the building, hanging out at the facility even years after they had graduated.

According to Inspector General Setyo Wasisto, MNZ alias Zam-Zam has got to do with the network of suspected terrorist Pak Ngah. It is JAD or the Jemaah Ansarut Daulah terror group which had attacked the Provincial police headquarters in Riau on Wednesday (16 May).

Not only has the Densus 88 defused four explosive devices, which were allegedly constructed by MNZ, but it has also confiscated explosive powder, an air rifle and two bows along with eight arrows at the Gelanggang Mahasiswa building.

Source: [Tnp, eramuslim/berita/nasional/wakil-ketua-dpr-kritik-keras-penggeledahan-densus-88-di-kampus-unri.htm](http://mp.erasmuslim.com/berita/nasional/wakil-ketua-dpr-kritik-keras-penggeledahan-densus-88-di-kampus-unri.htm), "Wakil Ketua DPR Kritik Keras Penggeledahan Densus 88 di Kampus Unri (Vice-Speaker of DPR strongly criticizes Densus 88 for having raided and ransacked Riau University campus)", in Indonesian, 3 June 18.

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