During a grand special meeting with his supporters in Sentul, Bogor (West Java), an Indonesian noted cleric Gus Nur, who is also known as Sugi Nur Rahajarja, has said that President Jokowi’s Sunday speech (on 5 August) filled up with elements of hate speech, attempting to pit the people against each other.

According to the cleric, the National Police chief should have summoned Jokowi to clarify his statements which, among others, mentioning the words “... tidak takut apabila ada yang mengajak berantem [... not to be afraid of those challenging to 'fight']”. Such an expression is nothing else, but expressing hate speech, attempting to pit the people against each other.

The cleric said Sunday (5 August), suggesting that the current Indonesian President Jokowi was expressing his anger but pretending to be patient and wise.

Criticising Jokowi’s political movements, cleric Gus Nur or cleric Sugi Nur Rahajarja admitted that he had been reported to the police for his allegedly libelling and describing Jokowi in a way that is unfair.

Excusing his actions, the cleric said that to the police he would talk about Jokowi’s cheating to the people and his attempting to pit the people against each other.