One of the Indonesian noted intelligence pundits, Nuruddin Lazuardi has said that the Russian hackers assisting Trump have arrived in Indonesia to mingle with the coming Indonesian presidential election.

Mentioning that they have been long in the country [in the meantime the vice-presidential candidate Sandiaga Uno had recently visited to Russia], he said Monday (on 24 September) that they had met with many different Indonesian politicians.

According to him, however, he is not sure whether they are representing Russian government or one of those Russian business companies operating in Indonesia.

Mentioning that they were occupied themselves with their activities in Indonesian social media, he said that it was precisely the same as they did in the US during the latest presidential election [Hillary Clinton versus Donald Trump]. They were concentrating and focusing their activities on social media algorithm, especially in both Facebook and Twitter social media.

He also said that they would directly “cut” the content of those social media items and information cornering the presidential hopefuls they support. They completely understood that the edited items would eventually become great items in Indonesian mainstream media.

According to him, they work for those presidential hopefuls who would provide more benefits to Russia when they win the race.

In the meantime, Prabowo’s vice-director of Information and Communication Campaigning team, Vasco Ruseimy, had denied that they work for his team.

Vasco also said that such a game would not take place in the 2019 Indonesian presidential election.