

Press Release

Hizb ut Tahrir / Indonesia Condemns Bomb Blasts in Thamrin

As has been widely reported on Thursday, January 14, 2016 around 10:40 AM, there were a series of explosions and gunfire at Menara Cakrawala and at the Police Station on Jalan MH Thamrin, Jakarta. These blasts resulted in seven people dead, including five perpetrators, one foreigner and one civilian, while dozens were injured. In this regard, **Hizb ut Tahrir / Indonesia:**

1. Strongly condemns the perpetrators of the explosions and the attacks as acts of very horrible atrocities. Islamic law strictly forbids anyone with any motive to commit suicide, kill people without apparent reasons, damage private property and public property facilities, especially when the acts caused casualties and widespread fear.
2. Call upon all parties, in particular the police and the media, to be careful to respond to speculation linking Thamrin's explosions with a group, movement or Islamic organization. Of all the possibilities, the attack could be deliberately done by a person or a group, or even a particular country to destabilize the society and the country for their interests and their political and economic gains while discrediting Islamic organizations and activities of dawah, as well as doing a systematic engineering and ruthless provocation to keep cornering Indonesia as a hotbed of terrorism.
3. Ask the police to immediately arrest the perpetrators and the masterminds of the bombings and the attacks, as well as to reveal their motives behind the acts. Only in this way can all kinds of speculation which lead to the unrest among the community be stopped.
4. Call upon all Muslims to remain steadfast, patient and committed in the struggle for the realization of Islamic life through the establishment of Sharia and Khilafah. Not to be afraid of any challenges, obstacles and threats so that these noble ideals can actually be realized.

Hasbunallah wa ni'mal wakiil, ni'mal maula wa ni'man nasiir

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