

"JUSTICE FOR TOBIAS SILAK"

DEKAI, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

THE VICTIM'S FAMILY TOGETHER WITH THE PEOPLE OF YAHUKIMO CARRIED OUT A SILENT ACTION AS WELL AS A PICK-UP OF THE NATIONAL HAM COMMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA AND THE PAPUA LEGAL AID INSTITUTE (LBH). SIGNED BY ALL PARTIES AND READING A STATEMENT OF ATTITUDE IN FRONT OF THE YAHUKIMO POLICE OFFICE.

Cases of military violence against civilians have increased over the past 4 years in Yahukimo. The perpetrators, members of the Indonesian military, continue to roam around and shoot civilians in Yahukimo and Papua in general.

Since 2021 to 2024, there have been a number of cases of shootings against civilians in Yahukimo. From various military violence by the TNI - Polri, the Indonesian Brimob have resulted in the murder of innocent civilians in Yahukimo, West Papua.

Of the 5 cases of shootings of the Yahukimo people by the police and the 1715 Yahukimo district military command, the perpetrators were not prosecuted for taking the lives of innocent people, but the perpetrators were promoted in the Indonesian military.

On August 20, 2024 at: 21-19, there was another shooting of two civilians named Tobias Silak and Naro Dapla by the Cartenz peace operation at the Sekla Brimob post. In this shooting, the victim who died was the late TOBIAS SILAK, 22 years old, who was an active Banwaslu staff member for Yahukimo district. While the second victim, Naro Dapla, received gunshot wounds to the thigh and arm.

So we, the family together with 12 tribes in Yahukimo, urge the perpetrators to be prosecuted for the sake of justice and truth for the victim's family.

STATEMENT OF ATTITUDE:

1. Immediately arrest and dismiss the police officers who shot Tobias Silak and prosecute them in civil court.
2. Remove the Yahukimo Police Chief who is considered to have failed to secure Yahukimo
3. Urge the Yahukimo government to withdraw the Brimob post from Yahukimo.
4. Withdraw organic and non-organic military from Yahukimo Papua
5. Stop paying for the heads of Papuans shot by the Indonesian military in Yahukimo Papua
6. The Yahukimo Police Chief reveals the intellectual actor behind the shooting of Tobias Silak in Yahukimo.

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