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The management of Al-Madinah International University (MEDIU) led by Chief Executive Officer, Prof.Dr.Mohammad Khalifa Al-Tamimi has held a Press Conference on Wednesday, 21st December, 2016, as a response to the published news' Two MEDIU students were among of the suspects involved in terrorist activities'.

Consequently, the university would like to emphasize that the detention of MEDIU students who were suspected to involve in terrorist activities is not related to the teaching and learning in the university. Both international students who got arrested are the students of the Faculty of Islamic Sciences and the family members have been notified of their detention on the 3rd of November 2016. The referred matter is still under investigation by the respective authorities and the police have also verified that the two students had been sent home to their respective countries.

The detention of the two students bears no relation to the syllabus of the university and this has been approved on Thursday (today), 22 December 2016 by the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs I, YB Datuk Nur Jazlan Bin Mohamed stated that the MEDIU students are targets of IS recruiters but the university, "not terror hub ", in which he emphasized, the referred matter is still under police investigation and they were aware on the terrorists' attempt on recruiting and targetting the students in this university due the huge numbers of foreign students. Statement by the Deputy Minister of Home Affairs I, YB Datuk Nur Jazlan Bin Mohamed has also mentioned other several higher education institututions which are supervised by the authorities. However, MEDIU as a private higher education institution with 10 years of operation is not a hub of terrorist activity deployment.

(Http://www.themalaymailonline.com/malaysia/article/under-scrutiny-al-madinah-varsity-not-terror-hub-deputy-minister-says)

The university has also strongly denied the allegation on MEDIU delivered radical teachings through the syllabus to the students. All of the programs and university syllabus have been reviewed and approved by an expert panel of Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) recognized by the Ministry of Education (MOE). This has also been confirmed by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) MQA through an official statement released on 20 December 2016.

(http://www.mqa.gov.my/portalMQA/default/bm/kenyataanmedia20dec.cfm)

The university management is looking into this matter very concernedly and seriously and if any students who violate the law and found guilty, stern action will be taken based on the existing policy. The MEDIU authorities also stressed that the university is ready to cooperate with the investigation authorities or any parties who require in-depth explanation.

Thank you.

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