

Peace Maintenance Mission Vital For Indonesia, Says Yudhoyono

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JAKARTA, Dec 19 (Bernama) -- President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono today said that duties to maintain world peace was important for Indonesians as the country's constitution called on them to establish world order based on freedom and social justice.

He said right now, the world had yet to achieve actual peace and that Indonesia would continue playing its roles to ensure world peace in line with the present United Nations charter.

"We want to provide and increase the capabilities of the Indonesian Armed Forces, as well as the Indonesian Police, to maintain world peace," he said when opening the Center for Peace Maintenance Mission (PMPP) in Bukit Merah Putih, Citereup, Sentul, Bogor, on Monday.

Yudhoyono said Indonesia should have a peace maintenance centre as the country's involvement and contributions in various peacekeeping missions were prominently visible.

"Indonesia is very active in contributing to the world peace maintenance mission.

"The world has witnessed that the Indonesian contingent, wherever they were deployed, were capable of performing well. This perception must be preserved and improved," he added.

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