**CRISIS** IN WORDS

**RYAMAZARD RYADIDU**  
Defense Minister  
"It’s dangerous as we can’t even see who our foes are; out of the blue everyone is brainwashed. Now the (LGBT) community is demanding more freedom, it really is a threat. In a proxy war, another state might occupy the minds of the nation without anyone realizing it. In a nuclear war, if a bomb is dropped over Jakarta, Semarang will not be affected, but in a proxy war, everything we know could disappear in an instant—it’s dangerous."

**BERLIANA KARTARKUSUMAH**  
'Humas Party Secretary-General'  
"LGBT! people must be banned just like we banned communism and drug trafficking."

**LUKMAN HAKIM SAPUDDIN**  
Religious Affairs Minister  
"We cannot be hostile for hate as they are also citizens of the state. This doesn’t mean that we condone or allow for the LGBT movement to shift the religious values and the identity of the nation."

**MAHFOZ SIDDIQ**  
House of Representatives member  
"LGBT issues can damage national security, identity, culture and the faith of Indonesians."

**Arief R Wismansyah**  
Tangerang Mayor  
"The role of the Parent is very important in order to guide their children away from violating nature... Especially as lately there have been many LGBT issues, which are considered a psychological illness. Adherents of LGBT should be returned to the appropriate nature of gender..."

**MIDAYAT RUI WAHID**  
People’s Consultative Assembly Deputy Speaker  
"The LGBT movement cannot be trivialized. The crime is very closely entwined within society, not only in big cities but also small villages."

**DEDEH ISHAK**  
National Assembly member  
Called for legislation that “aims to prevent and protect society from the massive propaganda launched by the LGBT community. Their campaign has reached out on social media. We need a solution to deal with this situation—it is like a warning to us all.”

**LUHUT PANDJAITAN**  
Then-Political, Legal, Security Affairs Coordinating Minister  
"Whoever they are, wherever they work, they continue to be Indonesian citizens. They have the right to be protected as well. I disagree with evictions, killing or anything like that. I want us to become a civilized country. It [living homosexual] is not what the person wants."