

## Abstraction

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Question of the relation between state and religion is important. In the context of Indonesia, Islam has a very important position in the history of Indonesia. As the religion of the majority of Indonesian Muslims so much as an intellectual who has the authority to provide an understanding of the interpretation of Islam in the context of the relationship between Islam and the state. One of the Indonesian Muslim leaders is Ahmad Syafii Maarif, the dissertation: Islam as the Basis of State: A Study of the Islamic Political Ideas as Reflected in the Constituent Assembly Debates in Indonesia, which later became a phenomenal book in highlight patterns and relationships of religion and nation in Indonesia.

The researcher wanted to see how Syafii Maarif to reconcile the dispute between the state and religion in the context of Indonesia. In addition researchers also wanted to see how the background of Syafii Maarif is so he took his idea. The research was conducted by the authors using qualitative and descriptive method of Syafii Maarif both of books and journals as the primary data research. In addition researchers also conducted in-depth interviews directly with Ahmad Syafii Maarif as the primary data supporting data.

The results of this study are, firstly, Ahmad Syafii Maarif is a Muslim intellectual who use Islam as a basic moral spirit rests from all his political thinking. The pattern of the relationship between state and religion is reflected in the pattern of mutual need, the State need religion as a source of transcendent moral principles for the establishment of justice and the principle of equality in a country, while the state takes religion as a protective institution for the implementation of the moral teachings of religion can be implemented in everyday life days. Second, Ahmad Syafii Maarif in terms of state and religious thinking thoughts transformation of stark contrasts, from syariah oriented of Moh. Natsir before becoming a social-democrat, the orientation of Mohammad Hatta. The point of contrast is thinking before Chicago and post-Chicago.

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