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Dear F1000Research Editors,

I wish to submit an original research article entitled " *Religion and Maintaining Ethno-religious Harmony: Sharing Experiences from Conflict Area in West Kalimantan, Indonesi*a " for consideration by F1000 Research Journal.

I confirm that this work is original and has not been published elsewhere, nor is it currently under consideration for publication elsewhere.

In this paper, I/we report that minor disputes frequently arise in Sanggau, often centered around religious matters. While religion is traditionally seen as a conduit for virtuous living, it can inadvertently engender divisions and strain relationships among adherents of diverse religious backgrounds and ethnicities. Such tensions predominantly emanate from the multi-religious and multi-ethnic fabric of the community, with common points of contention being the establishment of places of worship, religious conversions, and inter-faith marriages. Nonetheless, these conflicts have been predominantly addressed through an ethno-religious strategy.

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