

CHAN: CHINESE-SCHOOLED ARE BULLIED IN DAP

MALACCA, Wed. - The former DAP political bureau director, Mr Chan Teck Chan, today challenged party chairman Dr Chen Man Hin and secretary-general Lim Kit Siang to deny that the Chinese-educated in the party were undermined and suppressed.

"Both of them had managed to fool party members and cover up this issue for a long time.

"The Chinese-educated who have the grassroots support, have always been forced to play second fidd-

le in the party," he added.

Mr Chan said that although Dr Chen and Mr Lim had denied that there was a power struggle between the two groups, there had been several instances which proved otherwise.

He said that a DAP Assemblyman had written letters to the State committee calling the Chinese educated "chauvinistic bastards."

"I dare both of them to deny this. I cannot understand why no action was taken against this Assemblyman for making a se-

rious allegation," said Mr Chan.

He added that, during a DAP gathering in Pulau Pangkor to discuss the problem of the Chinese educated, Mr P. Patto had openly criticised the Chinese educated leaders of the party for being involved in chauvinistic activities.

"This is another highly insulting and discriminating remark, yet nothing was done about it," said Mr Chan.

He said that during the party's election of office-

bearers for the Central Executive Committee in 1979 a group of English educated leaders started a nationwide campaign to oust their detained members Mr Chan Heng Kai and Mr Chan Kok Kit on grounds that they were too chauvinistic and could not serve the party.

"If this is not suppressing the Chinese-educated what then do you call it?" Mr Chan asked.

Mr Chan said that both Dr Chen and Mr Lim owed the party members and explanation.

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