

# Dr M: We have evidence of 'plot' on tape Umno will expose Razaleigh plan

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**KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said Umno would make public a plan by Semangat 46 president Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah to destroy Pas and the DAP if his party wrested power from the Barisan Nasional.**

The Prime Minister said Umno had the evidence on tape to prove that Tengku Razaleigh announced this to a gathering at his residence in Kuala Lumpur recently.

Speaking to reporters at the Home Ministry's Family Day gathering at Taman Tasik Perdana here, Dr Mahathir said Pas and other political parties were free to say that they did not believe that Umno had the taped evidence of Tengku Razaleigh's speech.

He was commenting on a statement by Pas president Haji Fadzil Noor that the party did not believe that Tengku Razaleigh had said that Semangat 46 would destroy Pas and the DAP if his (Tengku Razaleigh's) party came to power after the general election.

Haji Fadzil Noor claimed that Dr Mahathir's statement was an attempt to break up the existing co-operation between Pas and Semangat 46.

He had said that Umno was trying to destroy the good relations between the two opposition parties.

"This clearly shows that Umno is worried about

the co-operation between Pas and Semangat 46," he was quoted as saying.

Dr Mahathir had disclosed the existence of the taped evidence, quoting Tengku Razaleigh as saying that Semangat 46 would destroy Pas and DAP should it come to power, at a gathering in Changloun on Friday.

Dr Mahathir said Pas "can deny that we have the taped evidence".

"We will wait for an appropriate time to disclose what we have," he added.

When asked whether he planned to disclose the evidence through Radio Television Malaysia, Dr

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Mahathir said RTM was government machinery and would not be used for political purposes.

"This is strictly a political matter and we will disclose all evidence we have at political functions," he said.

Meanwhile, DAP secretary-general Lim Kit Siang said in a statement that nobody was going to believe Dr Mahathir's latest allegation.

This evening Tengku Razaleigh, commenting on the issue, said he had no intention to kill off Pas or the DAP, but in fact was liaising closely with them on all matters to make the coalition stronger.

Speaking to reporters after opening the Batu division Parti Rakyat Malaysia operations room, he said if the tapes were circulated he would verify them before deciding whether to take legal action against the Government.