

# Anwar: I'm keeping my options open <sup>187</sup>

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**POKOK SENA:** Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said he will either form a party or join another party once he has been able to spread the "reformation" message to the people.

He said he was now more concerned about telling the nation about his reformation plan before deciding on the next course of action.

"I am keeping my options open. I am without a party and I will take on whatever kind of plat-

form to do my job," he told newsmen after explaining to a big crowd which came to listen to his side of the story on Saturday night.

The crowd caused traffic snarl which stretched for more than five kilometres and they took over an hour to disperse after Anwar delivered his speech about midnight at Sekolah Agama Derang here. *5/4-9-98*

Anwar said he would be channelling his reformation through individuals, organisations and politi-

cal parties.

Earlier in his hometown of Cheruk Tok Kun, Anwar unveiled his seven-point reformation plan.

On whether he has secured a permit to address the people in Kedah, Anwar said: "Yes. I have been told to confine myself to speaking only in a hall."

He denied that his neighbours had complained of the gatherings he held at his residence.

"In fact I have received letters telling me that they have not complained

to the police. Perhaps, the complaint may have come from Rafidah Aziz (a neighbour)," he quipped.

Anwar also told the crowd that he would have a gathering in Kubang Pasu, the constituency of Dr Mahathir, to get the reformation plan going.

Among those present were Penang Umno Youth chief Dr Abdul Rahim Ghouse, Negri Sembilan Umno Youth chief Ruslan Kassim and an Umno Youth exco member Saifudin Nasution.