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JOHOR MB ADVISES ANWAR NOT TO INFLUENCE THE PEOPLE

JOHOR BAHRU, Sept 9 (Bernama) -- Johor Menteri Besar Datuk Abdul Ghani Othman today asked Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, who has been sacked from the Cabinet, not to try and influence the people in his efforts to resolve his personal problems.

Anwar's actions could endanger national security, peace and the wellbeing of the people and country, said Abdul Ghani who is also Johor Umno Chief to reporters here.

"Anwar should be brave enough to accept his fate as he himself knows what he did and what he did not, forcing the Prime Minister to sack him from the Cabinet and expel him from Umno," he said.

Abdul Ghani said Dr Mahathir had strong evidence to support the allegations against Anwar eventhough he did not disclose them in public.

"Hence Anwar should not widen the issue involving him personally or organise any reform movement," he said.

Abdul Ghani also advised Johor people not to be influenced by Anwar's claims as Dr Mahathir's explanation on the matter had been quite clear.

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