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`Members have accepted decision to sack Anwar'

PENANG, Fri. - Umno members have accepted party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's decision to sack Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, its supreme council member Datuk Dr Abdul Hamid Othman said tonight.

He said only outsiders like the Malaysian People's Justice Movement (Gerak) were turning the matter into an issue.

Abdul Hamid, who is also Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, told this to reporters after opening a three-day exposition of Made-in-Malaysia goods, organised by the Jelutong Umno division. Also present was division chairman Datuk Abdul Rashid Ismail.

Abdul Hamid said it was Umno's internal matter, and since Umno members had accepted it, outsiders, especially Gerak, should not raise the matter anymore.

At the function, he announced that Air Asia would become the official carrier for Malaysian would-be pilgrims next year as it had submitted the lowest bid.

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