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SENATORS' CLUB WANTS HAMZAH TO QUIT

KUALA TERENGGANU, July 3 (Bernama) -- The Senators' Club of Malaysia today called on Hamzah Mat Zain to resign as a senator following his defection to Parti Keadilan Nasional (Keadilan) last month.

Its Secretary-General Senator Rosli Mat Hassan said it is only fair that he relinquished the post as he was nominated by Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in his (Hamzah) capacity as an Umno member.

"He was appointed a senator for his contributions to Umno and if he has not stepped down, I suggest that he do so as he no longer represented the party," he told reporters, here.

Hamzah, a second term senator, joined Keadilan on June 12. He was Pekan Kuak Umno branch head prior to his crossover.

Rosli also asked Hamzah to withdraw his allegations against Dr Mahathir and Umno which he allegedly made in his campaign speeches for Keadilan.

"To the best of my knowledge, Hamzah has always spoken positively about Dr Mahathir's leadership and Umno at the Dewan Negara," he said.

He said Hamzah's move to join Keadilan was his personal decision.

Hamzah was the former Member of Parliament for Chenderoh in Perak before being appointed a senator.

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