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Hundreds express concern over resignation

HUNDREDS of people, mostly Barisan Nasional component party members, kept pouring in to express their heartfelt concern over the sudden resignation of Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Abu Hassan Omar at his official residence at Bukit Megawati, in Section 7, in Shah Alam yesterday.

Selangor State Assemblymen, MPs, State Umno liaison committee members as well as members of Umno Youth and Wanita wings have been visiting the Menteri Besar since last night following news of his resignation.

Selangor Umno deputy liaison committee chairman Tan Sri Muhammad Muhammad Taib said he had led a delegation to meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad about 8.30am and got the confirmation that Abu Hassan had tendered his resignation.

"We came back and held a meeting at the State Umno building with the State Assemblymen and Umno Youth and Wanita leaders to get their views."

"I was shocked and sad upon hearing the news. I immediately rushed to Bukit Megawati to check it out," he added.

Selangor Umno Youth chief Dr Karim Mansor said the Youth wing was shocked.

"We were called last night by party leaders to come to Abu Hassan's official residence," he said, adding that all 17 State Umno Youth exco members met Abu Hassan on Wednesday night.

Asked on the poison-pen letter which was circulating on Abu Hassan's purported sex scandal, Selangor Deputy Menteri Besar Datuk Dr Zainal Abidin Ahmad said poison-pen letters were nothing unusual as there were many circulating about politicians.

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