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PAS CLAIMS NO KNOWLEDGE OF FATWA ON "AMANAT HAJI HADI"

KUALA TERENGGANU, April 17 (Bernama) -- PAS today claimed it was never informed of the decision of the National Fatwa Council, branding "Amanat Haji Hadi" as against the Islamic teachings.

PAS vice-president Mustafa Ali said Umno must show proof of the council's decision.

"We know nothing about the decision of the National Fatwa Council and Haji Hadi was also not informed...so Umno must show proof," he told reporters after attending the state legislative assembly sitting here.

He was commenting on statement by Umno president Datuk Sri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday that the party would study action to be taken against PAS deputy president Haji Abdul Hadi Awang for defending his so-called message made some 20 years ago.

Dr Mahathir said the move was to ensure that the council's decision would be respected by the people.

Mustafa, who is also State Economic Development, Petroleum, Industrial and Human Resources Committee Chairman, said why the matter was raised now, after 20 years had passed.

"Why now after 20 years? We must also take into consideration the scenario at the time the speech was made," he said.

He said the Prime Minister could probably misinterpret the decision of the council on the issue.

Meanwhile, Abdul Hadi when met by reporters said he would wait and see.

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