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Police warn DAP over `929' leaflets

SEREMBAN, Mon. - Police today reminded DAP leaders and supporters not to distribute the leaflets "No to 929" to the public or risk facing action.

District police chief Assistant Commissioner Abdul Khalid Abu Hassan said they could be charged under the Sedition Act 1948 if they were found to be distributing the leaflets.

This morning, several State DAP committee members were seen lingering at the Seremban wet market and distributing the leaflets. However, they stopped doing so when policemen arrived.

Yesterday, DAP national chairman Lim Kit Siang and five other State DAP leaders were arrested for distributing the leaflets opposing the declaration of Malaysia as an Islamic State at the Port Dickson wet market.

The others were Teluk Kemang DAP chief John Fernandis, who is also deputy publicity secretary, deputy chairman P. Gunasegaran, assistant secretary Wong Hong Chuan, education bureau chief M.K Arumugam and Lukut DAP chief Yew Koon Soo.

Police recorded their statements before releasing them unconditionally at about 11.30am.

The leaflet refers to the date when Umno president and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced that Malaysia was an Islamic State (Sept 29, 2001).