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US officials meet Wan Azizah

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. - Parti Keadilan Nasional today said there was a breakfast meeting between its party leaders and United States Assistant Secretary of State James A. Kelly, in which the latter expressed concern over the health of Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

Kelly, in charge of the East Asian and Pacific Affairs bureau, had also reiterated the US stand that Anwar was a political prisoner, and supported his right to seek treatment overseas.

Keadilan president Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail today said Kelly was also concerned with the detention of five other Keadilan leaders and a reformasi activist under the Internal Security Act.

"He informed me (during the meeting) that the issue of Anwar and the ISA detainees will be in the agenda in the meeting between US Secretary of State Colin Powell and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today," she added.

The meeting at the official residence of the US Ambassador, Marie T. Huhtala was attended by Huhtala, Keadilan vice-chief Azmin Ali and three US officials including Director for Asian Affairs of US National Security Council, Karen B. Brooks.