

**Ignore RPK, he has gone to the dark side'**

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YOURSAY 'I pity all those who are associated with RPK's fight. Worse still are those insiders who provided RPK the confidential info in the past.'

Azmin: Who's RPK to dictate to us?

your say Jeremy Ng: Raja Petra Kamarudin (RPK) knows what he is doing. All his comments are intentional. He knows that he will be condemned. For a shrewd person like him, I doubt he cares.

I only pity all those who are associated with his fight against the ruling elite. Worse still are those insiders who provided RPK the confidential information/documents in the past.

By now, he would have revealed the identities of these whistleblowers to the authorities. Pakatan Rakyat should not focus too much on RPK's comments.

Milosevic: RPK has made some highly questionable moves lately but there is little reason for PKR to feel so lordly.

If one cared about Malaysian politics, the best result would be an alliance between the two longstanding opposition parties, comprising the broadest-minded Islamic progressives in PAS without the ulama faction and an increasingly multiracial DAP.

The best PKR people can then chose to be either members of PAS or DAP, and the rest can join Umno. This overlapping three-party structure is cumbersome and needs to be simplified into two at most.

Yes. Anwar Ibrahim is charismatic, but frankly he is important only insofar as there are zealots in PAS, and he then has this seeming balancing role - sometimes he is for this, sometimes for that.

PKR is the result of missteps in Umno, and did not emerge as an independent inspiring force in the country. In my book, RPK would have every right to dictate to PKR as a concerned citizen had he maintained his neutral perch.

Botak Chin: Just ignore RPK. He is just as irrelevant as the other turncoats who were bought over by Umno.

Let all Malaysians just focus on the GE and put our minds, hearts and souls on ousting Umno once and for all. It's now or never.

Let's not give BN another chance to plunder our nation's wealth. Let's go all out for ABU (Anything But Umno).

Let's not waste time on this fellow who has sold his soul to the devil. Whether Anwar is found guilty or not, we must soldier on with our cause to get rid of Umno.

Manjit Bhatia: Nobody knows if RPK is being bought over by Umno. Given Umno's form, there's the possibility, of course. Time will tell.

There's no realistic chance of RPK ever influencing PKR one way or the other, though he may try. His snuggling up to the Umno media is his business but hypocritical all the same for things he claimed he'd never do.

Malaysia Today was his livelihood, and he's being starved of cash. Perhaps this is his motive. It says,

however, that he can't be trusted.

But surely PKR has bigger fish to fry here than the inconsequential RPK. He's not that intelligent, really. He trades in second-hand information and rumours and dresses them up as insightful for the gullible (you lot, who couldn't get enough of him once).

If his blog turns anti-PKR you'll be right about your suspicions. Still, PKR mustn't lose sight of its political goals. It needs to be smarter. It needs smarter people than PKR deputy president Azmin Ali. Someone with organic intelligence and political nous. Focus on Umno-BN.

Arbeena: PKR is losing its steam and direction after RPK speaks his mind. And many Malaysiakini readers are weeping, knowing full well that Putrajaya is a million miles away from the grasp of Pakatan. Padan muka hampa.

MCLM suffers another blow over RPK remarks

Cannon: There is no need to read tea leaves to fathom the actions and intentions of RPK. When the Umno-BN regime 'turns over' an asset, he is made to renounce his cause and his comrades.

The renouncement is timed to maximum effect in conjunction with a significant event and played up by the BN mainstream media. The person is subsequently restored and rewarded with a position/award.

Ezam Mohamad Nor, Chandra Muzaffar, Lee Lam Thye and Hee Yit Foong are notable examples. Some of RPK's followers refused or failed to recognise the signal from the noise with his first salvo against Anwar and Pakatan during the Sarawak election.

His latest broadside should make it amply clear. RPK has defected. He has switched sides and gone over to the Umno-BN camp.

Umno is going to use him and have him demolish his own work, making him take back and eat his own words about Umno and its leaders, even as he attacks Anwar and Pakatan. With Umno, treachery has its rewards and a terrible price.

Awg Damit: A learned viewpoint, Saudara Malik Imtiaz. A third force entering the contest would only be helping the entrenched first force.

Dislodging the first force is a formidable task, what with government and enforcement agencies going way out to ensuring their success. A third force needs to come in if the second force does not keep to its promises.

2Lang: Good riddance to bad rubbish! He has lost his credibility since the TV3 interview so it is a matter of time he dived in with BN, at least now he can come home. In a way I pity him. He tried but is just not strong enough to stay on the frontline.

Ferdan: One curious observation: Since so many members of MCML are disgusted with RPK's interview and wanting to leave the movement - why not just kick out one man, RPK, who is the cause of trouble? Is he the one who bankrolls the movement that he cannot be kicked out?

Who are the financiers of MCML? Or is Haris Ibrahim and the two candidates chosen to contest in the coming GE, Malik Imtiaz Sarwar and the unknown Sreekant Pillai, using this opportune excuse provided by RPK to extricate themselves from the sinking ship, saving them the humiliation of losing/withdrawing from the contest.

Or (we just love the conspiracy) this is the tactic to get these candidates (now seen as heroes for breaking away from MCML) endorsed by Pakatan to be the candidates for election - with RPK agreeing to

be a sacrificial lamb (and of course, with rewards from Umno).

Once these candidates were to win the election, they would declared themselves the '3rd Force'. To me this is acceptable - only if Pakatan were to win Putrajaya.

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