

Asalkan Bukan Umno video offensive, says Ambiga
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Regime change advocacy group Asalkan Bukan Umno's (ABU) video warning "instant citizens" - allegedly fast-tracked for citizenship in return for votes for the ruling party - from voting in the upcoming GE13 is "offensive", said Bersih co-chairperson S Ambiga.

She was quoted as saying this by the Yahoo! Malaysia news service, further warning ABU that an electoral process which is marred by violence does no credit to the elections.

"The video is disturbing and I urge (ABU chief) Haris Ibrahim to withdraw it before things turn for the worse.

"And in my opinion - the worst-case scenario - Haris will frighten people off at the polls.

"And what we should stress on is to have a peaceful electoral process. We can't interfere with any voters," Ambiga said.

The senior lawyer said that while she respects Harris, his latest escapade may have stepped off the reservation.

"I have a lot of regard for him but this is totally unacceptable and I'm going to talk to him."

Ambiga believes that to avoid dangerous incidents on polling day, the proper way to address anything suspicious at the polling stations is to note it down for further action via election petitions and not play vigilante.

The ABU video featured Haris warning foreigners with MyKads that ABU 'troops' would be ready for them on polling day.

He also warns party hoppers that they will be "hunted down" and that there would shortly be a by-election. Haris also asks Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak whether he is "ready to die".

ABU also repeated the warning in leaflets in foreign languages which it has widely distributed.

