

## **DAP files action on Tanda Putera urinating scene**

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Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng has issued letters of demand to Umno supreme council member Mohd Puad Zarkashi and Utusan Malaysia over a report in the Sept 7 issue of the Malay daily related to the movie 'Tanda Putera'.

In his letter, Lim's lawyers Karpal Singh & Co said Puad "falsely and maliciously" stated in the report headlined "Cuba sembunyi kebiadapan DAP" that he (Lim) tried to prevent the movie from being screened in Penang because "he wants to hide the rude scene of a DAP leader".

NONEPuad (left) had then said Lim's action to stop the screening of the movie was merely to hide the insolence of DAP adviser Lim Kit Siang for urinating in front of the house of then Selangor menteri besar Harun Idris during the May 13, 1969, race riots.

"You (Puad and Utusan) have recklessly, falsely and maliciously, in complete disregard for the truth amounting to irresponsible journalism of the worst kind, without verifying the truth of the allegations against our client in the impugned words, and in willful blindness, published the said words," says the letter from Karpal Singh & Co.

It said those words had caused Lim's reputation "serious and irreparable damage".

As for the aggravated and exemplary compensation sought by Lim, lawyer and Dato Keramat assemblyperson Jagdeep Singh said it would be left to the court.

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