

Perkasa: Dead or alive, he must not return

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Perkasa president Ibrahim Ali said his group will oppose any attempts to bring back Chin Peng's remains to Malaysia.

In an immediate reaction to the former Communist Party of Malaya secretary-general's death today, he said he was not surprised with Chin Peng's death as he is old and should have passed on long ago.

"As with the issue whether the remains should be brought back or not, in my opinion it should not be. If when he was alive we object to him returning to Malaysia. Even in death, his remains should not be allowed to be buried here," he said.

According the Bangkok Post, Chin Peng, born Ong Boon Hua in 1924, had died at a Bangkok Hospital at 6.20am this morning, due to old age.

To Ibrahim, Chin Peng is not only a communist leader who was violent, but is also a criminal.

He said an individual like the Communist leader should be erased from the annals of the country's history, away from the eyes of the younger generation.

"(The communist insurgency is) a dark moment in the country's history which should serve as a lesson but not the history of a terrorist or criminal who destroy a country.

"It is better for Malaysians to remember the history of Tan Cheng Lock and Tan Siew Sin and others like them and not Chin Peng. It is better to forget Chin Peng," he said in a text message to Malaysiakini.

Similar sentiments were shared by Senator Mohamad Ezam Mohd Noor on Twitter.

"To the Chin Peng symphatisers - including NGOs and opposition figures - if you want to defend Chin Peng's rights (to return), it is better that you follow his footsteps by leaving and dying outside the country," he said.

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