

MIC: No thanks MCA, we've faith in the AG
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It was an act of brotherhood.

Irked by what it perceived to be unwarranted delay on the part of the Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC) in prosecuting the man accused of assaulting a fellow BN party leader, MCA Youth sought to help.

However, the offer to prosecute the assault case of Deputy Education Minister II P Kamalanathan was today shot down by MIC itself and the MCA Youth legal bureau found itself being labelled "presumptuous".

Instead, MIC's legal adviser Selva Mookiah, in a statement, expressed full confidence in the AGC following a discussion on the case with AG Abdul Gani Patail (right) today.

"Having had the benefit of discussing the matter with Tan Sri Attorney-General today, I reiterate my confidence with the AGC in evaluating the investigation papers taking into consideration all evidence including but not limited to the eyewitness statements and medical report.

"...whilst I appreciate the MCA Youth bureau's support, but it is rather presumptuous of them to offer to prosecute without ever being privy to the investigation papers," he said.

He further assured that Abdul Gani is giving "equally serious attention" to Kamalanathan's case as he would any criminal report, and will decide on a course of action accordingly.

Kamalanathan had earlier this month lodged a police report claiming that Hulu Selangor Umno Youth assistant secretary Muhammad Rizuan Suhaimi had punched him in the former's office on Jan 12.

However, with no action by the AGC despite receiving the investigation papers from the police, MCA Youth legal bureau chief Choo Wei Sern yesterday volunteered the party's lawyers to be appointed as prosecutors on a pro bono basis to help with the case.

Choo had stated that such delays would reduce public confidence in the AGC.

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