

Zaid torches 'hypocrite' Najib for fuelling fire
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A responsible prime minister extinguishes the flames that can burn a nation and does not add fuel to the fire. But Najib Abdul Razak has failed this fiery test, according to Zaid Ibrahim.

He questioned the prime minister's transformation from a self-proclaimed reformist prior to the last general election to sounding like a warrior of Ikatan Muslimin Malaysia (Isma) now.

Castigating Najib for his reckless statements, he said as a leader, the prime minister should be the voice of moderation and reason.

"A responsible prime minister does not put fuel on fire," he added in his blog.

Zaid was commenting on the prime minister's recent remarks about the dangers of liberalism and the threat posed to Islam.

Without mincing words, the former law minister also branded Najib and like-minded leaders as annoying hypocrites.

He also asked who were the supposed enemies of Islam, the superpowers or Christianity?

"But wasn't Najib showing off how close he was to (Barack) Obama just a few weeks ago? He even had a free ride in the presidential car.

"If Christianity is the enemy, why didn't Najib sort out the matter when he visited the Pope?" he added.

These leaders adore the 'topless' West

According to Zaid, leaders like Najib adore the West and the things it offers.

"That's why leaders like Najib like go to Western countries for their holidays. There, they buy books that they ban in Malaysia and watch movies they would not allow in their own country.

"Some even like the nightlife, the casinos, and the same 'immoral activities' that they say will cause harm to Islam and Muslims in Malaysia.

"They have not found the music, topless parties or gay parades so revolting that they must

turn their backs on the West," he added.

Zaid noted that Malaysians realise that these leaders are pretending and soon this truth would also dawn on those who reside in Felda settlements.

"There are no real enemies other than manufactured ones. Our leaders will manufacture enemies for the Muslims because they do not want their fellow Muslims to experience the comfort of this liberal society, or to enjoy this freedom like they do.

"They are afraid the truth will be discovered: when the people have no imaginary enemies, they do not need leaders who are hypocrites," he added.

KJ's confusing and ridiculous defence

As for Khairy, Zaid took a swipe at the Oxford-educated Umno Youth chief for attempting to shield his boss with ridiculous and confusing explanations.

"Every time Najib says something silly, which happens quite frequently, Khairy is there to provide the necessary clarification or explanation so that the damage is minimised.

"The latest offering was an explanation that Najib's statement — liberalism is dangerous — had been misunderstood because the prime minister used the word 'liberalism' too liberally (that's confusing enough but never mind)," he said.

"Khairy then went on to explain that the prime minister was trying to say there could not be 'unfettered liberalism' or liberalism in excess, such as gay parades on the streets or topless parties," he added.

According to Zaid, this is the trick the prime minister's apologists play on Malaysians.

"They always use ridiculous examples to distort points raised by the public," he added.