

**'Muhyiddin, we can put two and two together'**  
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YOURSAY 'If what Muhyiddin's saying is true, it goes to show just how shallow he is.'

DPM: My race riot remark manipulated

David Dass: Leaders of a country should make sure that their words are clear and unambiguous.

Threats or warnings of another May 13 or reminders of May 13 serve no useful purpose. Malaysians have moved on.

Few of us would take up arms against another. The idea of killing innocent men, women and children is abhorrent to most of us.

Many of us do not belong to any political party and do not support any one party. We support democracy.

We know that men of character and integrity are required from all parties - from parties within government and parties in opposition. We appeal to men and women of good heart and character from either side of the political divide.

This is our country. It is a beautiful country. The diversity of its races, cultures and religions is one of its strengths and attractions. Do not do anything to endanger it.

We must do everything to save the country from those who are bent on its destruction. The silent majority must speak. Clearly and unambiguously.

Kim Quek: No, DPM Muhyiddin Yassin, your warning of another May 13 was not directed at "Malays and non-Malays" as claimed now, but clearly aimed at the non-Malays as it was delivered in the context of "insults to Malays and Muslims".

You didn't reprimand the extremists within Umno and the Malay NGOs such as Perkasa and Isma who have always been the provokers who hurled insults and even resorted to violence on the pretext of "threats to Malays and Islam", which are untrue.

Angry protests against these extremists - yes. But threats to "Malays and Islam" - no, never. So, your warning to the non-Malays was misplaced, and in fact, grossly unfair, provocative and dangerous in the current climate of heightened racial and religious tension.

It could be taken by the aggressors as approval of their extremist activities, and by the

victims as an attempt to cow them into submission. And that is a potentially explosive mixture in a multiracial society, more so in the context of present-day Malaysia.

A 513 (May 13) remark is very sensitive in the context of Malaysia. You should have given it a second, third or even fourth thought before making it. It may not be your intention, but your reference to 513, in the context of what you said, will sure fire up racial sentiments.

Malaccan: The DPM is not denying Utusan Malaysia quoted him correctly. If so, how can anyone manipulate his remarks? We can read and think.

Umno leaders have long used the communal clash (I won't mention the date too) to terrorise certain races and coerce their support.

Why did Muhyiddin refer to messages he received on alleged insults to Malays and Islam? We can count too and put two and two together.

He is a seasoned politician. Any blame for failure to communicate is his. If not, he is the same as Kinabatangan MP Bung Moktar Radin to say one thing and allege to mean another thing when the heat is on.

Communal clashes, real or theoretical, are highly sensitive. As DPM, he cannot 'main-main' in quoting it or use it as a veiled threat.

As DPM, he has not taken, or sought, any action against true agitators and inciters like Isma, Perkasa and their sorts. Indeed, his claim to be neutral now, stinks.

Kangkung: Muhyiddin, you don't have to explain yourself as we understood what you said clearly.

A responsible government will work ceaselessly to bring about unity and harmony to a multiracial and multireligious community instead of issuing threats time and again about a bloody civil war.

Headhunter: If what he's saying is true, it goes to show just how shallow he is. In other words, he is unfit to hold the position of DPM. But from past negative statements that he had made on many occasions, we have every right to doubt his explanation.

Abasir: The other day you threatened non-Malays with the repeat of "that day" while speaking about text messages you received from Malays and Muslims. And today you lie because you believe that all Malaysians are as stupid as those you normally rely on for support.

Swipenter: It's funny that that all 'reminders' of May 13 by Umno Baru politicians, Perkasa, Isma, etc, is dished out usually in front of one particular ethnic group which happens to be the majority group of the country.

It is also strange that when Perkasa and Isma issue threats of another May 13 against the Chinese, the DPM never ever tells them his fear of communal clashes and reprimands them for their threats.

Now is his silence a golden consent to Perkasa and Isma to keep on issuing threats of another May 13?

Jiminy Qrikert: Umno's entire bunch of intellectually and morally-challenged leaders and their lackeys Perkasa, Isma and other 'ketuanan Melayu' NGOs are crystal-clear that every time they make reference to May 13, they polarise the nation by rallying all the 'ketuanan' Malays against the rest of the nation.

There are enough of these 'ketuanan' Malays to continue perpetuating Umno's power and Umno wants to increase the numbers further through creation, reinforcement and reminders of instances when Malays rally to 'protect the race'.

May 13 is just one excellent instance for their purpose even as, at the same time, they cause havoc to rally Muslims to 'protect the faith.' Clearly, Umno's political currency has always been playing the race and religious cards.

PM Najib Razak is incapable of original thinking, what more a retard like Muhyiddin. Even in his back-tracking excuses, he is just regurgitating what has already been said by other Umno leaders past and present. What an imbecile.

Casey: When someone holding a senior public office indulged in abuse, resorted to innuendo and insinuation, then naturally our democratic society would be baffled and outraged.

What matters is not what he thinks he'd said, but what the democratic society perceived of what he'd said.

Haveagreatday: The context of the statement is very important. Muhyiddin, why not release the full text of your statement to the public and let neutral parties be the judge?