

Axed DPM: I'm no 'yes man', I won't quit

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Axed deputy prime minister Muhyiddin Yassin has stressed that he is not a 'yes man' and reiterated that he will not relinquish his Umno deputy president post.

In his speech at the opening of Pagoh Umno's Wanita, Youth, and Puteri wings annual meeting, Muhyiddin said he advised Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak not to be on the board of 1MDB.

"Maybe he doesn't agree because he is the boss. The boss, 'Yes boss, everything is alright boss'.

"But I am not a yes man! I will fail in my responsibility if I don't speak the truth," he said to thunderous applause from the audience.

Muhyiddin said he had been advised to keep quiet about 1MDB after he was sacked as deputy prime minister, but vowed not to back down.

"They told me to speak carefully, fearing they will find a reason to sack me as deputy president.

"But I will not step down! Even though there is a motion to force me to quit," he said.

He brushed off those who called him a traitor and said that he should not be invited to Umno division meetings.

He also rubbished calls for him to be disciplined.

"In the 40 years I have been in the party, I have never done any mistake. What mistake could I have done recently?

"I am the same man I was before," he said.

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