

PAS meets to discuss Pakatan Harapan
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The new opposition pact Pakatan Harapan will be one of the topics discussed at a PAS meeting in Kelantan today.

"PAS will be discussing this new development this afternoon at the Dewan Harian meeting in Kota Bharu," PAS vice-president Iskandar Ab Samad told Malaysiakini when contacted.

He declined to comment further until after the meeting.

PAS has snubbed PKR's invitation to join talks on the formation of a new opposition pact in Subang Jaya earlier today.

PAS said it would work with PKR, but not with DAP or the splinter group Parti Amanah Negara.

Meanwhile, met by reporters after the roundtable discussion today, PAS parliamentarian Mahfuz Omar said he was simply there as an individual MP who was invited by the opposition leader.

"I still hope that the new coalition will continue to be open to PAS. I also hope that PAS will be open to accept the country's political reality," he said.

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Mahfuz said it was important that there will not be three-cornered fights between the parties.

Asked whether he harbours hope of PAS joining the new opposition coalition, Mahfuz (photo) said it was either that or the parties should come up with a consensus so that there will not be three-cornered fights in the next general elections.

"Even though the formation of Pakatan Harapan today is without the attendance of PAS, Pakatan Harapan leaders should not let this continue.

"There must be openness in forming a relationship with PAS and I hope the PAS leadership will be ready to sit together to discuss the solutions to ensure one-to-one fights," he said.