

YOURSAY | Anwar and Trump's role in Thai-Cambodia ceasefire

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Fellow Malaysian: Asean countries do not appreciate the US meddling in their transboundary disputes or clashes between member countries.

It was Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim who assisted and managed to defuse the situation after ceasefire talks that were held in Malaysia, as this year's Asean chair.

The ceasefire was agreed upon at midnight yesterday, and we hope Thailand and Cambodia abide by the terms they have reached.

US Secretary of State Marco Rubio's statement was just to show US President Donald Trump's big muscles. The presence of US officials in Kuala Lumpur during the mediation was seen more as observers, a gratuitous act that no one appreciates.

It would probably be seen as meddlesome by the Thais and the Cambodians. So, get out and stay out.

Anonymous_3f4b: Actually, it was Trump who forced both sides to the negotiating table, as he threatened to halt tariff negotiations with the two countries if they did not agree to a ceasefire.

Malaysia merely played host and facilitator due to logistical convenience and being the chair of Asean for this year.

Thailand and Cambodia had no choice but to agree to peace to continue their tariff engagements with the US, which Trump happily said would continue after congratulating them for the ceasefire settlement.

Trump further declared that he was the “president of peace” for forging peace between Thailand and Cambodia. But there was no mention of Anwar by Trump.

Pink: So what was Anwar’s role in this when he was at the mediation process? Why is Trump claiming credit?

This mediation process was supposed to project Anwar as a world leader, but Trump is stealing the limelight.

MalaysiaLiberty: If we take a step back and look at the bigger picture, we might see that Trump deserves the most credit for helping to bring about the ceasefire.

Anwar did play a visible but lesser role in hosting the talks.

It is not as if the two warring countries' decision to stop fighting was due to Anwar's counsel, but rather because they want to be in Trump's good books to receive favourable deals on trade, the economy, and so on from the still-powerful US.

Koel: The US administration sounds desperate to claim credit for playing "mediator".

Makes you wonder. Did someone start this skirmish for this purpose?

Are they poring through the world map every day to find any skirmish to be packaged as "war" so they can muscle in for some pretend action?

After all, the current White House resident is said to be desperate for a Nobel Prize.

So what better way than to wait for an opportunity for a border skirmish between comparatively tiny, faraway nations?

And then, this wannabe is all over the media, yapping away from Scotland about peace.

What a pathetic and incredible source of international mirth.

MarioT: While we are happy to note Anwar's successful mediation in the dispute, our home front needs tidying up too.

The crutches and extra assistance given to the major race must be reviewed for a more equitable distribution of wealth to all races.

This racist policy has resulted in unimaginable looting of our money by those entrusted to safeguard our interests.

Your reformation policies must include fairness to all.

The checks and balances must not tilt too far to one side at the expense of the other.

All citizens of this country deserve fair treatment.

WhiteLlama4337: Wah Anwar - successfully mediating peace talks between Thailand and Cambodia.

Anwar - could you also mediate the dispute between farmers and Perak state authorities, especially in your own constituency of Tambun?

You know, the eviction of farmers from land they have farmed for decades, by claiming that it was actually state land all the while.

The farmers there are growing food that Malaysians need. How come this issue doesn't get your attention, huh?

TaaS: Nice circus. Anwar is there to take photos, make himself look good and take credit.

Typical of this chameleon. What did he really do to stop the skirmish? Malaysia knows all too well that Anwar can't even solve simple issues in his own backyard.

Sherlock: Good job, Anwar, proud of you. You have put Malaysia in a very favourable position on the world stage.

Now, Trump will revise the tariff lower, making it easier for Investment, Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Zafrul Abdul Aziz to negotiate. Good.

Growing Old Lonely: Charity starts at home. Please settle all the conflicts and inequalities in Malaysia first.

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