

DAP's handling of councillor fiasco 'all wrong'
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Councillor denies abuse charges, may sue daily

Paddington Bear: I can't stress this enough - I am all for Pakatan Rakyat. But corruption is corruption. The way DAP has been handling this fiasco so far seems to have been taken straight out of the BN playbook. Initial denial, then a press conference, etc.

Selangor exco Ronnie Liu leaving the press conference in a huff only makes things worse. He should have been smart enough to stay and play the public relations game and not make himself look like he had something to hide.

Power corrupts all - that's the sad truth. My only hope is that DAP values their reputation enough to seriously investigate this matter. DAP supporters, meanwhile, should not blindly defend DAP. If there is corruption, get rid of it. As much as BN is to blame for a lot of things, they can't be blamed for everything all the time.

The amount may be peanuts compared to what Umno has been pocketing throughout the years, but even if the councillor pocketed one single sen, that is already unacceptable. DAP, please clean up. Don't let the people lose faith in you.

Anonymous: Ronnie Liu confirmed the news that his letterhead was misused. MB Abdul Khalid Ibrahim also said there had been a misuse of an exco's letterhead. But today Liu, with exco Teresa Kok as an accomplice, denied the whole story.

How do you expect us to believe you? I think Pakatan and BN are both crooks.

Nedunchelian Vengu: What is Teresa Kok doing at the press conference? My advice to Kok: Punish your errant party members and your cronies in the council, instead of supporting everything they do in the name of party solidarity. Or else the rakyat will kick you all out.

Independent Malaysian: Where is the credibility of Pakatan? Can the people trust you after this scandal? Pakatan cannot even handle their own states properly. So much infighting. How can the people trust them to handle the country?

Rajm: Why is Teresa Kok sitting beside Klang councillor Tee Boon Hock and showing her support to a guy who is no better than the Umno/BN fellows? The Selangor Select Committee on Competency, Accountability and Transparency (Selcat) and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) should probe this case.

We, in Port Klang and the Klang residents, know this guy very well.

Jimmy Ng: I don't quite understand MP Teresa Kok's statement that it is difficult to reject requests in letters of endorsements, support and recommendations. Just inform all department heads to ignore such letters and award jobs based on merit! Why bother with such letters at all? Even if they were the norm or practice of the previous state government, it does not mean that it is a good practice to be continued.

If there's truly irrefutable evidence of abuse of power, then the councillor or MP or whoever has to pay the price if found guilty after proper investigations. It also appears that the BN is hatching a sinister plot to destabilise the current Pakatan-led Selangor government. Perhaps the misquotes and misreports in the news media are deliberate.

Swipenter: Tee, if the court is the best way to clear your name, then pursue and sue the Star. We want transparency and accountability in all Pakatan state governments. Force the issue and make Star accountable for what they say and print about you being a 'rogue councillor'.

Secondly, you are likely to find MACC knocking at your front door. I am sure there are embedded BN moles in DAP just like there are in PKR and PAS to sow misinformation and disinformation to make it out that PAS, PKR and DAP are imploding to due inter- and intra-infighting, and that Pakatan is about to collapse.

Keturunan Malaysia: Tee Boon Hock, when you choose to be a politician, this is one of the hazards of the profession. For now, you are innocent until proven guilty. The best way is not to leave it to your colleagues in Pakatan but to the court of law. Hopefully, justice is done and is seen to be done there.

Christopher: Be mindful about the systematic approach of the BN-controlled media in highlighting all these cases one at a time. First it was the sand smuggling issue. Then there's the issue of PAS exco Hasan Ali wanting unity talks with Umno. Now there's this 'rogue councillor'.

These are all well-coordinated attempts and a strategy by BN to recapture Selangor by consistently bringing up issues one per week so that either some state representatives defect or when elections are called, Pakatan votes will go back to BN.

I believe that if anyone is guilty in Pakatan, they must be punished. But do not forget PKFZ, Scorpene submarines, Sime Darby, MAS scandal, MV Agusta, Eurocopter, the new palace, the Terengganu stadium, Putrajaya rental issues, and all the Auditor-General's reports on corruption in the BN government.

Lok Kon Fook: I'm a fan of neither BN or Pakatan, but what is this RM1 million contract compared to those worth hundreds of millions and billions awarded to Umno/BN kakis without open tenders at all. It has been the practice for umpteen years.

Councillor row - Clean up PKFZ muck first, MCA told

Multi Racial: The problem is when you get someone like Chan Kong Choy, who has lost in the party elections but was appointed a minister. He will be obligated to his president and the prime minister. His actions will stem from those two, particularly MCA boss Chua Soi Lek.

In the case of Chua, I think he is not interested to get to the bottom of PKFZ because he was assisted to get rid of Ong Tee Keat, who is the only person in MCA interested in exposing that scandal. It appears the majority of MCA, including the president, his deputy and all the top guns, are doing their bit to cover up PKFZ.

MCA should pressure their members to expose PKFZ for their own good. Otherwise, whatever little hope there is for them to revive themselves may also go. At this stage, my

only suggestion to MCA is to keep their party's historical records well, as they will have to send them to the museum soon.

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