

**Perkasa declares 'war' against Namewee
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Malay rights pressure group Perkasa has declared 'war' against controversial rapper and film-maker Namewee, following the launch of his debut album last night.

Its youth chief Arman Azha Abu Hanifah said members are ready to act as *panglima perang dan hulubalang Melayu* (Malay warriors), and are willing to tail the rapper throughout his upcoming promotional tour.

"We accept news (of his tour) with open arms. If he performs inside (a hall), we will 'perform' outside too," he said when contacted today.

The young performer will kick off the tour tomorrow at the private New Era College in Kajang. It is owned by Chinese education NGO Dong Zong.

About 50 Perkasa members had yesterday protested against the album outside the Kuala Lumpur Selangor Chinese Assembly Hall where the launch was held.

They held up Perkasa banners and a Malaysian flag, while burning posters of Namawee.

The group has urged the rapper to apologise to Malaysians for "disrupting racial harmony".

Namewee, whose real name is Wee Meng Chee, however said this is not the issue as his intention is to "address racism".

He also said he is not afraid of Perkasa and believes that the police will protect him.



However, Arman Azha (*left*) described Namewee as a "coward" who has not owned up to what he has done.

"If he was so brave why didn't he step out yesterday?...If he is trying to act like a *Tionghua* (Chinese) hero, then why did he not have the guts to face Malay warriors last night? We only wanted to talk," he claimed.

He added that Wee could only hide behind his *Youtube* account previously, and that he hopes to hide now behind the police and the electronic media.

"(The video) has disrupted racial harmony. Who made the video? He made a mistake, so why hide behind the police?" he asked.

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