

**Najib slams Pakatan for linking BN to nude photos**  
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Deputy Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak today lambasted the opposition for linking Barisan Nasional to the circulation of Selangor state executive councillor Elizabeth Wong's nude photographs.

He challenged the opposition to prove its claim and not make wild allegations.

Saying that the BN was not involved in the incident, the BN deputy chairperson said the opposition should not accuse without proof.

"Accuse for what... prove who did it. I don't know anything about the matter, suddenly it erupted in the newspapers.

"One should show proof if one wants to accuse. Don't just talk, don't just accuse wildly," he was quoted as saying by Bernama.

Several PKR members, including its advisor, Anwar Ibrahim had accused BN of being responsible for the circulation of the nude photographs of Wong, who is also the Wanita PKR information chief and Bukit Lanjan state assemblyperson.

Following the incident, Wong offered her resignation as assemblyman and state executive councillor for Tourism, Environment and Consumer Affairs yesterday.

**Privacy a fundamental right**

In a related development, the Women's Parliamentary Caucus released a statement expressing sympathy and regret over the incident.

"We are of the opinion that one's privacy is a fundamental right and it must be respected by all parties... taking photographs without her consent is a despicable act and we condemn it," said the caucus presided by 23 women MPs.

The caucus also demanded that stern legal action to be taken against the perpetrators as photographing and distributing such material is akin to sexual harassment.

They also pleaded to the public to avoid distributing the photos and to destroy them in order to protect Wong's dignity.