

**Zaid confirms he's quitting PKR**  
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KUALA LUMPUR - Former Federal Territory Parti Keadilan Rakyat chairman Zaid Ibrahim confirmed Monday that he is quitting the party although he has yet to tender his resignation.

Zaid, writing in his blog, referred to the front page story of The Star, and said: "It is true that I will be quitting the party but I have yet to submit my formal resignation from the party."

The resignation "will be considered as done" as soon as he tenders it to the PKR secretariat, said Zaid, who had pulled out of the race for the deputy presidency, alleging manipulation and fraud in the voting system.

He added: "All will be clarified via a press release this Friday."

The newspaper reported Monday that Zaid had decided to resign from the party saying he had had enough of the recent turn of events in the party.

Zaid, who was Minister in the Prime Minister's Department before his fallout with Umno, stunned PKR members when he characterised their advisor, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, as the cause of all their problems.

He said in his blog that the PKR leadership had not attempted to solve the alleged manipulation and unfair practices in the ongoing party elections although the issues had been raised often.

Zaid could not be reached for further comments and is believed to have left the country early Monday. - Bernama

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