

Opposition Willing To Forsake Principles When Convenient
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KUCHING -- Najib Tun Razak said leaders of Opposition parties were willing to forsake principles if things do not go their way.

The prime minister said they would also try to take advantage of issues that could benefit them.

He said this was clearly evident in the statements they were making over the sex video controversy alleged to involve Opposition leader Anwar Ibrahim.

"It can be seen they (Opposition leaders) are not consistent and are looking at the situation first (before making statements). If it is convenient to them, they will not bother about principles," he told reporters after attending the launching and handing over of "Sirim Pintar Learning dan Sirim Robokit" at SMK Santubong near here today.

Najib said this when asked to comment on the Opposition's rejection of a proposal by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Mohamed Nazri Aziz for royal commission of inquiry (RCI) to be set up to probe the controversy, which broke out last month.

He said usually the Opposition would be clamouring for a RCI whenever an issue of national importance arose but in this case were silent.

"Many people are finding this stance to be strange, they are always the first to demand RCIs.

"Now when this issue cropped up, they are silent, and even rejecting the setting up of an RCI," added Najib.

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