

**Grow A Backbone And Condemn '1Melayu 1Bumi'**  
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SHAH ALAM - "It has been two days since Utusan Malaysia fanned the flames of racial disunity by calling for a "1Melayu, 1Bumi" movement to battle the so-called Chinese challenge to Malay dominance in Malaysia and yet, MCA leaders are still conspicuously silent on the matter" slams Teresa Kok.

She said that the only reported statement by MCA on the matter is a quote of MCA Vice-President Liow Tiong Lai saying, "Utusan cannot generalise the whole thing. It has nothing to do with race. It has more to do with the urban needs and the rural needs." as reported in The Malaysian Insider.

"How weak, meek and gentle Liow was towards Utusan Malaysia's incendiary call to say nothing of how Utusan Malaysia's call was the ultimate insult to Prime Minister Najib Razak's 1Malaysia which MCA claims to support." she said in her statement.

The Seputeh MP said that given MCA's track record of handling Utusan Malaysia with kid gloves, its response was expected. She said that MCA have to kowtow to Utusan Malaysia for fear of offending UMNO, the owner of Utusan and the dominant party of Barisan Nasional (BN).

"This shows that the BN "power-sharing" system preached by MCA to uphold the interest of the Chinese and other races in Malaysia is a complete and utter fraud. It cannot be real or effective if MCA can't even express the outrage towards Utusan Malaysia" she added.

Kok said that MCA leaders should grow a backbone and openly condemn Utusan Malaysia's "1Melayu 1Bumi" movement as Pakatan Rakyat leaders have done if MCA is to have any credibility as the party that upholds the interests of the Chinese that they claim to be.

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