

Malay Unity Will Strengthen With UMNO-PAS 'Marriage'
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KUALA LUMPUR -- Malay unity will be strengthened with the "marriage" of Umno and PAS, Minister of Information, Communication and Culture Dr Rais Yatim said on Thursday.

He said there was nothing wrong in seeking this "noble aim" (unity) and it should not be viewed with suspicion by anyone.

Such unity was sought in Article 3 of the Umno constitution and in an article of the PAS constitution, he told reporters after launching a radio programme on Malay culture here.

Rais was commenting on calls from various quarters for PAS to cut ties with the DAP and cooperate with Barisan Nasional.

He said that Umno should be regarded as the backbone of the nation based on the politics of numbers since it represented the Malays which made up 60 per cent of the population.

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