

# Umno Youth can decide on Khairy: PM

KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi said yesterday his son-in-law, Khairy Jamaluddin, who has been the target of allegations by various parties, will not continue to hold the post of Umno Youth deputy chief if the delegates no longer want him.

"If the people don't want him, why wait?" the prime minister, who is also Umno president, said when asked to comment on Khairy's statement on Saturday that he was prepared to quit his post if he was considered a liability to the party.

Looking calm and cheerful when fielding questions from reporters after opening the Community Sports League at Padang Semarak in

Angkasapuri here, Abdullah said all Umno leaders should hold the same principle.

"Yes ... whoever he is, the principle is the same."

Speaking at the opening of the Wangsa Maju and Cheras Umno Youth divisional meetings on Saturday, Khairy replied to allegations levelled against him by several parties and to those posted on the Internet

Among these are that he interfered in government administration, and that became a millionaire overnight, enabling him to buy the shares of ECM-Libra Berhad.

On Friday, Khairy denied he had married popular Malay actress Maya Karin. - Bernama