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S'wak BN may reconsider loyalty to PM if ...

PETALING JAYA: Sarawak Barisan Nasional (BN) will reconsider its loyalty to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak if he is found guilty of any offence related to Malaysia Development Berhad (MDB).

Chief Minister Tan Sri Adenan Satem said this during his winding-up speech at the state assembly yesterday but added until then Najib is innocent.

He said the state BN's loyalty is towards Najib as he is the prime minister and head of the coalition.

Opposition lawmakers had equated Adenan's support for Najib to that of supporting the racist policies of Umno and Najib's alleged role in the state investment arm and the RM2.6 billion allegedly deposited into his personal account.

Adenan had asked opposition lawmakers if they were willing to withdraw support for DAP secretary-

general Lim Guan Eng on mere accusations.

The Malaysian Insider reported that the issue of the chief minister's support for Najib cropped up when Dudong assemblyman Yap Hoi Liong interrupted Adenan during the winding-up debate.

He asked how Adenan was reconciling the fact that despite managing to prevent Umno from coming into the state, he was still supportive of Najib and he also wanted an assurance from the chief minister that Umno would not enter the state even after he had left office.

"We Sarawakians totally reject Umno. But the assurance is only valid in your lifetime. We cannot have this kind of uncertainties," Yap said.

Adenan told Yap if he wanted an assurance, he (Adenan) was prepared to table a motion to ban not only Umno from coming into the state but also all peninsula-based parties.

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