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# Enough is enough, Najib tells Suu Kyi

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**RALLY:** PM urges Asean countries to pressure Myanmar to stop violence against Rohingya

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**P**RIME Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Najib Razak sent a powerful message yesterday to Myanmar State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi over the atrocities the country's forces have been visiting on the Rohingya.

"We want to tell Aung San Suu Kyi, enough is enough. Two days ago, I received a statement from the Myanmar government telling me if I attended today's rally, it would show that I was interfering in their internal affairs.

"They warned me. But I don't care. Because I'm not here just as Najib Razak, I am here in the name of the *ummah* and as a Malaysian!"

Najib told the 14,000 gathered at Titiwangsa Stadium here for the "Himpunan Solidariti Ummah Untuk Rohingya" rally that he refused to stay silent while atrocities were being committed on Rohingya Muslims.

He urged Asean countries and the world to pressure Myanmar to stop the violence.

More than 10,000 Rohingya have fled to Bangladesh in recent weeks, the United Nations (UN) said on Wednesday, escaping a bloody army crackdown in northern Rakhine State.

Arrivals in Bangladesh have told AFP horrifying stories of gang rape, torture and murder at the hands of Myanmar's security forces.



Myanmar State Counsellor **Aung San Suu Kyi** has declined to meet Malaysian Foreign Minister **Datuk Seri Anifah Aman** to discuss the Rohingya issue. AFP pic

Myanmar has denied allegations of abuse, but has also banned foreign journalists and independent investigators from the area.

Najib urged the UN and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to take action and address the violence.

"OIC, OIC... please don't just see. Take action. Please do something. The world can't just sit by and watch the genocide taking place.

"The world can't say, 'Look, it's not our problem'. Millions have died in Bosnia and Rwanda because the world just watched and acted too late.

"This time, we are not willing to wait. We will continue to put pressure because this is an insult to Islam and our patience is being tested," he said.

To show that Asean countries are against the genocide, Najib called on Indonesian President Joko Widodo

to join Malaysia in holding solidarity rallies in the republic.

"Don't just protest (Jakarta Governor Basuki Tjahaja Purnama) Ahok only. Ahok, ahok lah... but Rohingya must also be defended in Indonesia. They can gather in Jakarta."

Najib said Suu Kyi, a Nobel Peace Prize recipient, had refused to meet Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Anifah Aman over the matter.

"I asked the foreign minister to go. I ordered him. I asked (him), 'What did Aung San Suu Kyi say?'"

"He (Anifah) told me she said, 'If you want to see me on bilateral issues, yes. But I'm not willing to see you to discuss the Rohingya issue'.

"How can that be? We must discuss everything! What is the meaning of (Asean being a) community of nations? What is the meaning of being a Nobel Prize winner? Nobel Prize means to uphold human rights," Najib said, to cheers from the floor.