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# PAS not joining new pact

## Hadi: We won't sail on a boat that is uncertain and chaotic

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**MARANG:** PAS has no intention of joining the new opposition coalition which will include Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's new party.

Its president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang said PAS would not "sail on a boat that is uncertain and chaotic".

Furthermore, Abdul Hadi said the new coalition would involve DAP, PKR and Parti Amanah Negara, which had been attacking PAS'

vision, mission and policies.

"They can form a new opposition pact, but we are not even sure if it will take off or survive.

"PAS has its own policies and mission. We want no interference in what we are championing. We don't want our struggles to be criticised or sidelined," said Abdul Hadi after his weekly Friday sermon at the Rusila Mosque here.

For the time being, he said it was better for PAS to be on its own and not in any coalition.

"But we will carry on working with parties with which we share

mutual understanding, policies, vision and mission.

"We have no problem working with any party that understands our struggles, especially when it comes to matters concerning Islam. We don't want others to meddle in matters involving the Muslims," he added.

Abdul Hadi said if others continued to attack PAS, the party would have no choice but to retaliate, irrespective of whether they were from Barisan Nasional or the Opposition.

"We have tried working together with other parties before, but in the

end, we turned out to be their punching bags," he said, adding that PAS' agenda was not only to change the government but also the people's attitude and mindset.

He said currently, many in the opposition pact were only concerned with changing the prime minister instead of the people's mindset.

On Thursday, Dr Mahathir said a new party would be formed to join a new opposition pact in facing the 14th general election and one of its missions is to change the prime minister.

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