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Pak Lah will be a good Petronas adviser, says Dr M

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PUTRAJAYA: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday said he welcomed the decision to appoint Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi as Petronas adviser.

He said Abdullah was eligible to replace him as Petronas adviser as the latter was once prime minister.

"I am confident that he can be a good adviser to Petronas and hope he can lead the company.

"However, I hope he can be a 'British' adviser, not a Malay adviser.

"Compared to a Malay adviser, the advice of a British adviser is heard by everyone and considered as a command.

"Malay advisers, on the other hand, only give advice, but never go to the ground.

"Their voices only go into one ear and out the other," he said after opening the Criminalise War Club International Symposium on Coalition of Younger Generation Say No To War at the Perdana Leadership Foundation here yesterday.

Meanwhile, on Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah's signing of the Kelantan Declaration that expresses undivided support for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak, Dr Mahathir said the Gua Musang member of parliament had the right to change his stand.

He claimed Tengku Razaleigh had originally planned to push for a no-confidence vote, but had now changed his mind.