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Tunku Abdul Aziz

Datuk Seri Nazir
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Datuk Seri Wong
Chun Wai

'NCC2 could be Dr M's idea'

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KUALA LUMPUR: Social activist Tunku Abdul Aziz has shot down the idea of forming a second national consultative council (NCC2), which was said to promote racial integration.

Tunku Aziz said he could not understand why there was a redundant need for individuals, who were not elected lawmakers, to carry out legislative efforts.

"We already have in our system of administration avenues for consultation and dissemination of information of government policies and initiative of public interest," he said.

Tunku Aziz said he was made to understand that the two figures behind the forming of NCC2 were CIMB Group chairman Datuk Seri Nazir Razak and The Star Media Group chief executive officer Datuk Seri Wong Chun Wai.

"Why do we need to set up another citizens group when we already have within our constitution a system whereby there is judiciary, executive and legislative.

"The policy is a matter of legislative," he said.

Tunku Aziz said if both Nazir and Wong had intended to interfere with

the country's legislative process, both men should run for parliamentary seats in the next general elections.

"I suggest that they become full-time politicians to be involved in essential political matters relating to the law-making process."

Tunku Aziz called for such an idea of forming NCC2 to be thoroughly examined for subversive elements.

He said other Malaysians had also expressed concerns that NCC2 could be a brainchild of none other than former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who might be the driving force behind the council's proposed setup.

Tunku Aziz added that the concerns suggested a "special agenda" to undermine the government of the day, as well as the current democratically-elected prime minister.

"It was rumoured that Dr Mahathir is somewhere behind this NCC2 plot.

"Again, I am not surprised to hear such rumours or plot.

"I am not surprised that Dr Mahathir's name has been linked to this proposal."