

CLAIMS OF 'DUBAI MOVE' TO OUST GOVT

Plot by PN leaders, govt politicians and 'Tuns' a threat to national security, says J-Kom official

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OPPPOSITION leaders and some government-linked politicians are believed to have met in Dubai recently to plot the overthrow of Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's government, said Datuk Ismail Yusop, who is the Community Communications Department (J-Kom) deputy director (community communications).

He claimed that the meeting discussed the assignment of "agents" to identify government members of parliament who might be induced to switch sides and enable the establishment of a *tebuk atap* (backdoor) government, similar to how the Pakatan Harapan administration was brought down in early 2020.

That year, a bloc of PH MPs met at the Sheraton Hotel in Petaling Jaya to signal their intent to form a new government with the then opposition, in an event now popularly known as the "Sheraton Move".

Ismail claimed that this latest plot, dubbed the "Dubai Move", also involved influential veteran political figures and "Tuns", and that "foreign sources" would be used.

"As we approach 2024, over the past week or two, there have been rumours of attempts to establish a backdoor government.

"The PN leaders' trip to Dubai, including the presence of leaders associated with factions dissatisfied with the leadership of Anwar and the Madani government, have become public knowledge,

"It has been alleged that spokespersons with access to the opposition leadership are roaming nationwide, including Sabah and Sarawak, trying to convince others that by early next year, the Madani government will collapse at a specific date," he said.

Ismail claimed that former ministers and their allies were also involved in the plan, using resources within and outside the country.

He told the News Straits Times Press that he had gathered information on the plan from various

sources.

Ismail claimed to have compiled a dossier of PN and government leaders involved, but would not disclose details as it was not his responsibility.



Datuk Ismail Yusop

"As someone who supports PMX (Anwar) and the Madani government, I have a responsibility to provide perspective.

"I hope to offer not only insights but also assistance to anyone reading it (the dossier).

"I believe that the security forces or

higher authorities have more information on the matter. I won't be naming names, but those guilty would feel the heat.

"Given my role in J-Kom, I have access to a lot of information. However, should it reach a level

that threatens national security, stability and harmony, only then would it be unfair for me to remain silent," he said.

Ismail urged Anwar to act decisively.

He said the movement was malicious and could threaten the sovereignty and security of the nation.

"I consider their actions as treason or an attempt or movement of betrayal to overthrow the government of the Yang di-Per-tuan Agong.

"Therefore, the prime minister has a solid basis to act affirmatively and needs to immediately instruct the Home Ministry, Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Razarudin Husain and the security forces to investigate individuals involved in the matter.

"This includes (dragging those) connected to this effort for questioning," he said.