

**Jais entered church unlawfully, says Selangor MCA**  
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PETALING JAYA, Aug 29 — Selangor MCA today claimed the state's Islamic authorities had entered a church here unlawfully during a raid on August 3, whilst slamming rivals DAP for keeping aloof of the ongoing controversy.

"Jais (Selangor Islamic Religious Department) had no right to enter the church unless they had a court order. Until today, DAP has not made a single statement. Where is (Seputeh MP) Teresa Kok?" state chief Datuk Donald Lim Siang Chai said referring to his DAP counterpart.

Jais swooped on the Damansara Utama Methodist Church early this month on the claim it was investigating a complaint that Muslims were being converted at a dinner the church was hosting for a local NGO.

The Selangor state government formed a "hearing working group" to meet with Jais and representatives of the Harapan Komuniti, the organisers of the dinner, last week to resolve the debacle that has sparked attacks from both Muslims and Christians against the PR administration.

Mentri Besar Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim has said that he will brief the Sultan after his meeting but has so far not made any public statement on the findings of the hearings.

With Umno-owned Utusan Malaysia also claiming that poor Muslim schoolchildren living in squatters near Jalan Klang Lama were being proselytised by Christians, tensions between the two religions have heightened during the Ramadan fasting month.

Lim added today that "DAP and PKR owe the public an explanation. If they made a mistake just say you made a mistake."

"Instead, they are now blaming Barisan Nasional (BN) for being behind Jais. They have a duty to inform the public so it knows who to vote for in the next election," the deputy finance minister said.

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