

'Mat Sabu should say sorry to Tunku's kin'
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ALOR STAR: The Kedah Royal Family Association has urged Pas deputy president Mohamad Sabu to apologise to family members and descendants of former prime minister Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj for disparaging Tunku's role as a national hero.

Association chairman Datuk Tengku Zainol Rashid Tengku Yahya, who is also the Tunku's nephew, said they were insulted by his alleged remarks that the communists who attacked Bukit Kepong police station 61 years ago were true independence fighters because they fought the British, and not Tunku.

"We are insulted by his statement because it denied the struggles of our national heroes, such as Tunku and Datuk Onn Jaafar, who had fought for the country's independence.

"We want him to apologise to Tunku's family and his descendants and to all Malaysians for what he has said," he added.

Tengku Zainol was responding to a call by Home Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Hussein for the kin of the deceased national independence fighters to take legal action against the Pas leader.

In Kota Baru, Mohamad Sabu claimed that he was drawing support from a wide spectrum of people.

"Not only do they have opinions about the issue but also encouragement. Some of them want me to continue voicing out," he said during a forum at Sultan Mohamad IV stadium on Monday.

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