

**Khalid says Hasan Ali should go quietly**  
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SHAH ALAM, Jan 9 — Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim has said Datuk Hasan Ali should relinquish his post as a state executive councillor following the latter's dismissal from PAS yesterday, Bernama Online reported today.

"I believe he is a gentleman. He should resign as a state executive councillor voluntarily for his own good and for the sake of others," the Selangor menteri besar was quoted as saying in the report.

"The office of the state legal advisor has advised that the menteri besar is empowered to drop Dr Hasan as a state executive councillor because he no longer represents PAS in the Pakatan Rakyat (PR) state government," Khalid added.

The PAS central working committee sacked Hasan as a party member yesterday for breaching party discipline after he urged supporters to avoid today's rally in support of Opposition Leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim as his sodomy trial verdict was handed down.

PAS president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang had prior to that expressed the party's support for the rally.

Anwar was acquitted and discharged this morning.

The Selangor administration is due to discuss Hasan's portfolio as executive councillor in charge of Islamic affairs on Wednesday, after saying his position was contingent on his being a member of a PR party.

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