

Sacking decision not 'unanimous', says Hasan
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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 16 — Datuk Dr Hasan Ali claimed today that the PAS leadership was divided over his sacking as a party member, and that it was not a unanimous decision as alleged by some leaders.

The former Selangor PAS chief said that an "influential" PAS leader had demanded that it be stated in the party's meeting minutes that he had opposed Hasan's sacking.

"Unanimous sacking? I am not too sure... that is what I was told. How true this is, I do not know," Hasan (picture) told reporters here.

He also deflected attacks against him for meeting up with Umno leaders some months back, claiming that even PAS president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang had said that PAS did not disallow its members from contacting Umno members.

The Gombak Setia state assemblyman charged Hadi had said this during a closed-door meeting with him, PAS spiritual adviser Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat and deputy Datuk Dr Haron Din in Kota Baru recently.

"The president himself said there is no law barring PAS leaders from meeting Umno leaders... if you do that, how do you then carry out 'dakwah'?" said Hasan.

He said that Nik Aziz had expressed his happiness when he apologised to the leadership for recent remarks made in the newspapers, and that the PAS head had even suggested a big kenduri be held in light of the success of the meeting.

"My case with the party had been harmonised... I was sacked because I touched on Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's case."

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