

Anwar told to give reasons
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GEORGE TOWN: Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has been asked to explain why he refused to face blogger Raja Petra Kamarudin in a political forum organised by WikiLeaks in Kent, England.

Penang Malay Congress president Rahmad Isahak said Anwar's refusal to meet Raja Petra had raised questions and doubts.

He said Anwar should issue a statement and explain why he declined the organiser's invitation to meet Raja Petra.

"The people want to hear his reasons. The congress, on behalf of the Malay community in the state, challenges him to do so. His statement will be very important and will show his true character as a political leader of this country.

"He does not want to do anything that will affect the Pakatan Rakyat's chances in the coming general election, does he?"

Raja Petra had reportedly called Anwar a "chicken" for not wanting to face him at the forum on Saturday.

Rahmad said Anwar's refusal clearly indicated that he had worries about facing Raja Petra.

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