

Umno Leaders Welcome Shahrizat's Decision To Relinquish Post
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 11 (Bernama) -- Umno leaders welcome the decision by Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil today to relinquish her ministerial post.

Vice-president Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal said the move was timely to protect the interest of the party and Barisan Nasional (BN).

"We appreciate the decision made by Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil. It's a timely decision. It has nothing to do with whether she is guilty or not; she is doing it for the sake of the government and party," he said when contacted.

Shahrizat announced today that she would step down as the Women, Family and Community Development Minister upon the expiry of her term as a member of the Dewan Negara on April 8.

She will however remain as Wanita Umno chief and Wanita BN chief to continue with the tasks entrusted upon her by the party.

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