

Dompok Denies Bumburing Has Quit UPKO
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PENAMPANG, March 18 (Bernama) -- United Pasokmomogun Kadazandusun Murut Organisation (Upko) president Tan Sri Bernard Dompok has described the rumour that its deputy president Datuk Wilfred Bumburing had quit the party as "purely rumour and speculation" designed to confuse the people ahead of the impending general election.

"He is a friend of mine and a member of the party and my deputy. I have just spoken to him and he sounded out that there is this type of things being circulated but it was not true," he told reporters after attending the handing over ceremony of "Projek Baik Pulih Rumah Penduduk" at Kampung Putaton, near here Sunday.

Dompok, who is also Minister of Plantation Industries and Commodities, was asked to comment on speculation the past few weeks that Bumburing, who has been calling on the Federal government to resolve the illegal immigrants problem in Sabah, had left the party to join non-governmental group Angkatan Amanah Merdeka (AMM) which is headed by former Finance Minister Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

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