

Anwar Not Taking Up Najib's Challenge To Form Shadow Cabinet
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 1 (Bernama) -- Opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim did not take up the challenge from Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak yesterday for Pakatan Rakyat to form a shadow cabinet, but instead said a shadow cabinet was only suitable for the United Kingdom and Australia.

Anwar's stand this time is different from his statement in 2008 where he wanted to form a shadow cabinet as an alternative to the Barisan Nasional government which he claimed was unstable at the time.

"The shadow cabinet is not a political practice in America, France, Thailand and Indonesia.

"Those who will be cabinet ministers and deputy ministers are senior leaders from the three parties (in Pakatan Rakyat) if they win the seats they contest," he told reporters at the parliament lobby, here, Monday.

Sunday, the prime minister challenged Pakatan Rakyat to set up a shadow cabinet before dreaming of forming the actual government by winning the upcoming 13th general election.

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