

**DAP tells police to focus on fighting crime, not look for new detention laws**  
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The DAP has called on the police and the Home Minister to start focusing on crime-fighting efforts instead of asking for more detention laws.

The DAP's national publicity secretary Tony Pua said this following the Attorney General remarks that he would never agree to new detention laws.

"The DAP fully welcome the Attorney-General's position on this matter just as we supported the move by the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak in his move to repeal the Emergency Ordinance (EO) at the end of 2011," Tony Pua said in a statement today.

Pua said in light of the A-G's remarks, the police should heed recommendations by the Tun Dzaiddin 2005 Royal Commission of Inquiry, which proposed that 22,000 police officers from non-crime-fighting division be shifted to crime-fighting duties, as only less than 9% of the police force are placed in the criminal investigation department.

The commission had suggested police relook the role played by the Federal Reserve Unit (FRU), Light Strike Force (LSF), General Operations Force (GOF) and other areas like the administrative, management and logistic units, which form a significant 40% of the police force.

Pua pointed out that despite the fact that urban areas were more prone to crime than rural areas, the former receives less allocations of police personnel than the latter.

He cited Petaling Jaya as an example, saying the police to population ratio in the highly-populated city stands at 1:470, even though the national ratio is 1:270. - AFP, July 17, 2013.

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