

**DAP wants ROS to decide based on acceptable reasons not Utusan propaganda**  
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The DAP is prepared to hold central executive committee re-elections if the Registrar of Societies director-general can give reasonable and acceptable reasons, said its adviser.

Lim Kit Siang said DAP and Malaysians were entitled to know if the directive was based on an allegation that there were 547 phantom DAP delegates at the party congress in Penang last year.

"If it is not one of the reasons for the ROS decision, then what are the actual reasons?" Lim questioned while noting that mainstream media particularly the Utusan Malaysia had been harping on the the claim that 547 phantom delegates had attended the party congress.

"Malaysian journalism in this country has reached new international heights where lies can be twisted into the truth and fiction transmuted into fact," the Gelang Patah MP said, referring to the reports published in Utusan Malaysia.

He said Awang Selamat, the moniker representing the paper's collective editorial voice, writing last Friday is an example of how lies that has been twisted into the truth.

He said Utusan Malaysia had given the illustration of Malaysian journalism's transformation on Friday with its official commentary by Awang Selamat which continued to promote the lie that 547 phantom delegates had attended the congress.

"Umno-Utusan propagandists hope that it will be accepted as fact by gullible Malaysians. They hope that if a lie is repeated a thousand times, it could become a fact," he said – August 3, 2013

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