

**PAS, Umno Political Conflict A Loss To Muslims - Syed Ali Al-Habshee**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 5 (Bernama) -- The political conflict between PAS and Umno will be a loss for Muslims in the country if it is prolonged, said Cheras Umno division chief Datuk Syed Ali Al-Habshee.

He said it was time for PAS to cooperate with Umno to strengthen Muslim brotherhood so that the community is strong and respected.

"If we are divided, the country will be in chaos. Look at what happened to Palestine, we don't want our children and grandchildren to suffer the same fate.

"If we unite, we can speak out as a big power," he told Bernama after being interviewed on Bernama TV's Ruang Bicara show titled 'Menteri Besar Selangor: Ada Siapa Kisah' (Selangor Menteri Besar: Anyone Cares?) here Monday.

Earlier, Syed Ali, when interviewed on the show, said PKR de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim only cared about himself in trying to obtain power to rule, and not to fight for the people.

"I wonder why people are still swayed by the likes of Anwar who uses people for his personal ambitions," said Syed Ali.

He also said that Anwar clearly disrespected the Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah, when he announced Kajang assemblyman Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail as a Selangor Menteri Besar candidate despite not yet having the Sultan's approval.

Prior to this, Anwar had announced that the Pakatan Rakyat Leadership Council was in favour of PKR president, Dr Wan Azizah, who is also his wife, replacing Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim as the Menteri Besar of Selangor.

Meanwhile, Special Affairs Department (JASA) Think Tank panellist Lokman Noor Adam said there needs to be a new platform to unite PAS and Umno so that the Malays can continue to hold the country's leadership firmly.

"PAS and Umno members need to work together to find a mechanism to cooperate and appreciate one another," he said.

If the crisis between both parties persist, Lokman Noor said, DAP will continue to take advantage of the Malays, especially the younger generation, to fight for their political agenda.

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