

Nik Aziz was at clerics' meet for two hours, not half an hour, says aide
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Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat attended the PAS Shura Council for about two hours until they finished discussing the removal of Selangor menteri besar (MB) Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim, said his aide, refuting reports that the PAS spiritual leader only stayed for half an hour.

"He stayed for nearly two hours until they finished discussing the issue of Khalid and the press statement to be issued was finalised. Then only did he leave. It is not true that he stayed for only half an hour.

"He may not be that well, but he can sit that long, just as he would when he gives his daily sermons," said Ahmad Fadli Shaari.

Nik Aziz (pic) has been reported to be ill over the past few months. The question of how long he stayed at the council was because he wears a urinary catheter.

The clerics, led by Nik Abdul Aziz and his deputy Datuk Dr Haron Din, met yesterday.

It announced that it wanted Khalid retained as menteri besar, sharpening the divide with their Pakatan Rakyat (PR) ally PKR who wants him replaced.

But the top council of clerics also said they were willing to re-assess their stand on the issue if Khalid is prosecuted by the authorities such as the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) or the courts.

The Shura Council is the highest decision-making body after the PAS central committee.

On who should be the Selangor MB, PAS had been split with the clerics for Khalid,

while the more progressive faction of the party want him out. – August 8, 2014.

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