

Ask the Sultan, says Khalid on claims he misled Selangor palace
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Tan Sri Abdul Khalid Ibrahim today told his critics to seek clarification from the Sultan of Selangor over his position as Menteri Besar if they think he has misled or lied to the Ruler.

"Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah has been dragged into the current saga in Selangor by those who claim that I have misled and lied to him," Khalid said in a statement posted on state government portal Selangorku.

"The Sultan of Selangor was satisfied that I had the majority support in the Selangor state legislative at that time," Khalid said on his audience with the ruler on August 11.

He said at that time, the two PAS state assemblymen had yet to declare their support for Datuk Seri Wan Azizah Wan Ismail to replace him as MB.

PAS's Hulu Kelang assemblyman Saari Sungib and Morib assemblyman Hasnul Baharuddin have since appeared with 28 other state representatives to declare support for Wan Azizah.

"It is illogical to suggest that their crossover should have been considered as a factor before it was made public," Khalid said.

"Those who believe that I have lied to the Sultan of Selangor, including DAP adviser Lim Kit Siang, are more than welcome to seek clarification from Sultan Sharafuddin," he added.

Yesterday, Lim said Khalid should not hide behind the Sultan of Selangor but instead come forward and explain why he had deliberately misled the palace about commanding majority support in the state assembly.

The Gelang Patah MP said it was "pointless" for Khalid to suggest that those who have accused him of misleading the Sultan to write to the palace for an explanation over his endorsement of the embattled MB.

Lim questioned if Khalid was under the impression that he still had majority support despite being sacked from PKR last Saturday.

"When Khalid had an audience with the Sultan on August 11, what was the basis of his confidence and his representation to the sultan that he still commanded the majority of the state assembly?" he asked in a statement.

"Even with PAS's 15 assemblymen yet to make their public stand after Khalid's expulsion from PKR, there was no basis whatsoever for him to make any representation to the Sultan that he still commanded majority support in the state assembly." – August 17, 2014.

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