

Dr M's advice to Najib to stop Pakatan coming to power, says ex-minister
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Former information minister Tan Sri Zainuddin Maidin today said Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad was aware that he would be arrested if Pakatan Rakyat comes into power.

Zainuddin, after taking a break commenting on Malaysian politics, in his blog Zamkata, said this was why Dr Mahathir had given "implicit and hard advice" to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

"He is certain this will happen if Najib does not resign immediately to give enough time to Barisan Nasional to win back the confidence of the people," he said, asking his readers to check out for themselves the Dr Mahathir interview on YouTube.

He said should PR win in the next general election, PKR de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim would be released from prison.

"But given that he himself was an authoritarian leader, he would face arrest first, followed by arrests of Najib and the rest... for (alleged) misuse of power, the scandal surrounding 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) and others."

Zainuddin said, in giving the "advice", the hidden warning was not only aimed at Najib but also at Dr Mahathir.

"As such, Najib needs to decide on the best course of action because the future looks bleak, despite attempt to show a brave front on TV3," he said, referring to Najib recent interview on the private television station.

He said Najib's television appearance was seen more as a response to the call by his own party colleagues, especially by Umno Youth chief Khairy Jamaluddin and BN Backbenchers Club head MP Tan Sri Abdul Shahrir Samad who wanted Najib to answer Dr Mahathir's criticism.

In the televised interview last Thursday, Najib responded to several allegations and remarks made against his administration by Dr Mahathir, including 1MDB and the murder of Mongolian translator Altantuya Shaariibuu.

Dr Mahathir also targeted Najib's leadership, saying the prime minister had failed to answer questions on 1MDB. – April 13, 2015.

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