

MIC won't drag Najib into squabble, says Subramaniam
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Senior Barisan Nasional (BN) party MIC will not drag the prime minister into its internal party problems, deputy president Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam said today.

He said the party would abide by the resolutions passed on Sunday and that elections would be held soon starting with branch nominations on July 10, followed by elections for branch posts the week after.

When asked if he had the support of Datuk Seri Najib Razak and the BN government, Subramaniam said: "I've not been informed of this, to be fair to be PM, I don't want to drag him into this.

"It's an internal party matter, and we have the capacity to solve it.

"At the end of the day, the party makes the decision and the PM and BN will be guided by our decision," he said at the sidelines at the Parliament lobby today.

Najib is BN chairman, of which MIC is a senior component member representing ethnic Indians.

Subramaniam, however, did not deny the possibility of mounting a contest for the presidency.

"It's a democratic right, I'm not predicting it will not be or be, but my duty is to ensure the election process is rolled out."

Two resolutions were passed at a special MIC gathering called by Subramaniam on Sunday, including a declaration that Datuk Seri G. Palanivel was no longer the party president.

The meeting also approved another resolution that the party would abide by the Registrar of Societies' (RoS) directive to conduct a re-election. The meeting also resolved to uphold the court's finding that Palanivel and four others had filed the suit against RoS in their personal capacities. – June 23, 2015.

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