

**Explain why Saifuddin is cleared, Zahid tells Umno disciplinary board**  
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Umno disciplinary board chairman Tan Sri Megat Najmudin Megat Khas has to explain to the Supreme Council why he saw nothing wrong in Datuk Saifuddin Abdullah attending an opposition meet, party vice president Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi said today.

Megat Najmudin said yesterday that he saw no wrongdoing in Saifuddin, a former deputy minister, attending the roundtable discussion for the formation of a new opposition pact last week.

But Zahid said today that he personally felt what Saifuddin did was wrong.

"It is still depending on the discussion of the disciplinary board, but according to (Megat Najmudin) there was nothing wrong in attending an event organised by the opposition," Zahid said when asked what action will be taken against Saifuddin, who has been served with a show cause letter by secretary general Datuk Seri Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor.

"Personally to me, that should not have happened," he said.

But he said that if Megat Najmudin decides no action needs to be taken against Saifuddin, then he would have to explain the rationale to the supreme council.

"He needs to answer to the supreme council as to why he decided otherwise (that no action was required)," he said.

Saifuddin has until October 6 to answer the show cause letter that was served to him.

The former Temerloh MP has been accused by Tengku Adnan as "tarnishing" the party image by attending the meet.

Megat Najmudin argued that Saifuddin can only be considered wrong if he had spoken ill of Umno at the event.

Saifuddin maintained that he attended the event in his capacity as an NGO leader.

He is the CEO Global Movement of Moderates (GMM). – October 1, 2015.

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