

Retract your Sulu accusations, Tian Chua tells Zahid
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PKR lawmaker Chua Tian Chang today accused Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi of making baseless accusation against him over a meeting between Nurul Izzah Anwar and Sulu representative Jacel Kiram.

He said Zahid, also the home minister, should stop making baseless accusations just for political expediency.

"He cannot make wild baseless accusations as home minister. I call on him to withdraw his accusations," Chua, also known as Tian Chua, said in a text message to The Malaysian Insider when asked to respond to Zahid's claim today that the MP was responsible for arranging the meeting between Nurul Izzah and Jacel.

The Lembah Pantai MP has been criticised and accused of treason after photos of her and Jacel went viral.

One photo, which Jacel had also posted on her Facebook page, shows the two women holding posters demanding the release of Nurul Izzah's father, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, from jail where he is serving a sentence for sodomy.

Jacel is the daughter of self-proclaimed Sulu Sultan Jamalul Kiram III, who was behind the Lahad Datu incursion in eastern Sabah in 2013, in which a number of Malaysian armed forces personnel were killed.

Tian Chua said Zahid's accusations were unfounded and did not create a good impression of the minister.

"The Barisan Nasional government should stop calling fellow parliamentarians traitors. Ministers are not showing political maturity to accept differences and healthy debate in a democratic system," he said, adding that he would give Zahid time to retract his claim before deciding on further action.

Zahid's accusation against Tian Chua today came after the Batu MP defended Nurul Izzah. – November 23, 2015.

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