

Prepared for the worst, Muhyiddin says cannot bear sin of keeping quiet
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Umno deputy president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin today said he was prepared to lose his position and even his party membership for speaking up on alleged wrongdoing in 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB) and the RM2.6 billion deposited into Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak's account, Malaysiakini reported.

The news portal quoted the former deputy prime minister in saying that he could not "bear the sin" of keeping quiet over such matters, which the people were also concerned about.

He told a crowd at a solidarity gathering in his constituency of Pagoh, in Johor today, that he was sacked as the deputy prime minister, for voicing concerns about 1MDB, Najib's brainchild, and the political donation.

"Nobody lives forever and I cannot bear the sin if I remain quiet. If they want to expel me then do so but do not ignore my contributions for 36 years," he was quoted as saying by Malaysiakini.

The Pagoh MP also questioned if what he did could be deemed as against the party constitution or a criminal offense.

"Now they are extending action on me by not allowing me to speak in the Umno assembly. Is he (Najib) afraid of a single man that he has broken party tradition in not allowing the deputy president to speak?" he said.

He added that he was aware that his speech could anger "someone" but he would continue to speak up for the people and in interest of the nation.

He also asked the 1,000-strong Pagoh Umno if they were prepared to have an independent representative, to which they replied in the affirmative.

Muhyiddin was dropped as deputy prime minister in a July Cabinet reshuffle after openly questioning Najib on his handling of 1MDB and the RM2.6 billion. He has continued to speak against the prime minister on these matters.

He still remains the party deputy president, but has now lost his platform to speak to members after the Umno Supreme Council last week decided to stop the tradition of having the party's number two give the opening address at the assemblies of the Youth, Wanita and Puteri wings, which will be held next week. – November 29, 2015.

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