

## **Mahathir-Anwar team will end up 'killing each other'**

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KUALA LUMPUR: Umno minister Nazri Aziz said today he has "good feelings" seeing former premier Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his former protege turned nemesis turned comrade Anwar Ibrahim becoming political allies in Pakatan Harapan (PH).

This is because the duo, along with others in PH, would ultimately end up "killing each other", he said.

"I want it to be a long death. It would be better if they die after the next election.

"So let them continue (killing each other), until the elections," Nazri, who is the tourism and culture minister, told a press conference here today.

Nazri was asked on his thoughts about Mahathir and Anwar reconciling their differences, which opened the way for PH to name the line-up in its presidential council.

Under the leadership structure, Mahathir, who was once branded "Mahafiraun" (a play on the Malay word for pharaoh) by his critics, was appointed the PH chairman.

Anwar, who was sacked as deputy prime minister and jailed during Mahathir's premiership, was named the opposition coalition's de facto leader.

Asked if the reconciliation between the two former political enemies posed a threat to Umno and Barisan Nasional, Nazri simply chuckled and said: "They're all murderers there and they are killing each other, so how can they be a threat to us?"

The Umno supreme council member, in his usual blunt style, said he was excited to see the death of PH, adding he hoped they would suffer a slow death.

"Don't die yet. The longer (it takes PH to die), the better. Or else tak syok la (not exciting). There will be no thrill (if they die quickly)," he added.

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