No hope for 'this' Malaysia

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Malaysia, as we know it, is dead. There is no more life to it. Any hope to correct its civil institution, its education institution and its political institution bears no more exercise for resuscitation.

A police chief of the highest rank exposed inappropriate behaviors of politicians and

senior officers in the police force but there is no action from the highest authorities of the land.

A girl makes a revelation of a heinous rape joke, not only there is no reaction from the religious clerics holding the highest positions of authority, there seems to be very slow reaction on the teaching profession and the education authority. The girl is further

harassed by her teachers, schoolmates and netizens of her own race and religion for not wearing the *tudung* and exposing her *aurat*.

This is a clear example of a bankrupt religious morality as Islamic groups stay silent and so does the religious authorities.

A book on Christian threat by an official religious department is left unchallenged by 20 public universities, Islamic Reformist NGOs and Islamic political parties. A young Chinese hooligan gangster with a Datukship escapes the authorities because of alleged tips from his vast network of insider police personnel alleged to be under his salary scheme.

No official reaction of Royal Commissions are in the pipeline for any of these milestones of social, educational and political destruction.

This Malaysia that is sixty something years old has suffered its final heart attack and is now, from my stand point, officially dead. The old heart is damaged beyond repair. I will not spend the remainder of my life trying to revive or fix this old heart. Let it die.

What I think all Malaysians can do is to replace the heart with one that comes from our own special recipe of mutual acceptance, understanding and kindness as a family of 40

ethnic group. We must rebuild Malaysia within the Malaysia that has died by creating our own education system, our own 'political management' and our own social and religious institutions.

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We should by-pass the old systems and construct new ones. We must build our own

schools, our own universities, our own religious co-operations and our own economic and welfare programs. We will plant our own seeds in our own way and live our own life together as a small community of conscious beings who are a citizens of an 'inner Malaysia'.

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This Malaysia is dead. From its stinking carcass, we will raise a new bud of hope for the future. It is time to relinquish our energy on the old, bigoted and extremist concept of Malaysia and reengineer a new kind of politics, a new kind of people and a new kind of nation where all citizens depend on one another and all *warganegara* respect and love one another as humble beings of awakened consciousness, none better than the other but all needing each other.

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, in the horizon gleams the dawn of a new hope, a new Malaysia for all.

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