

[Liu Zhewei Column] Action Party Warsaw vs. Yingsha



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In the past few days, there have been disputes between the "Warsaw faction" and the "Institut faction" within the Action Party. (File photo: Perspective of Malaysia)

In the past few days, the dispute between the "Warsaw faction" and the "Inshar faction" within the Action Party has been confusing. "English Chauvinism".

In fact, for DAP members, the split between the pro-British Shah faction and the Warsaw faction is obvious. For non-Party members, especially the Chinese, these two camps are not very different for them. No matter which camp you are from, the votes will still go to the DAP. When the Chinese want to hear fresh topics after a meal, they will choose the pro-Warsaw school, and when they want to know about cross-ethnic cooperation, they will tend to the pro-British Shaka school.

This is like the Pandora's box in the DAP, you know, I know, they all know, but as long as no one crosses the line, these meanings will not be too onerous. For a long time, things have been under the table. However, this kind of distribution is not different from the split within the party. No matter whether it is legal or moral, it will not escalate to affect the leadership of the Lin father and son.

Unfortunately, Liu Tianqiu has attracted too much attention this time. I believe he cannot predict the extent of the situation. Since the incident has happened, there is no room for turning, and party leaders (including party members due to the upcoming party re-election) have to face the problem squarely. Which route should the DAP take?

For me, Liu Tianqiu actually only went further to elaborate on the ideology of the Warsaw faction. As mentioned above, no camp wants to cross the line, especially the political party. The same is true in the Yingsha faction camp. They will not suddenly criticize the Warsaw faction publicly. When Liu Tianqiu created a platform, the Yingsha factions could justify their criticisms, and this could not be entirely blamed for their attacks, because they were defending themselves, not attacking.

Does the DAP really have to choose one? Want Malay or Chinese support?

In theory, I agree with Liu Tianqiu's view that if you keep downplaying the identity of the Chinese, you may lose the support of the Chinese. You cannot expect to win the support of two ethnic groups at the same time. No matter what decision you make, you can look forward to losing and possessing. The key is whether your gains are greater than your losses, or on the contrary, you lose more support than you gain new support.

I use the term "in theory" because the DAP currently dominates the Chinese society, this rule is not suitable for them, and the Chinese voters will not rate their support because the DAP is closer to the British-Saudi faction. Turn to MCA and Gerakan. This reason is not enough to persuade Chinese voters to transfer their votes. So, to put it simply, as long as the DAP does not take any extreme behavior, the supporters will not mind, otherwise the "hegemony" of the DAP in the Chinese society is almost unbreakable, such as the cooperation between DAP and Umno (which almost happened in Perak).

On the other hand, I think that now is the best time for the Anglo-Saudi faction to take a step forward. The matter has been put on the table. There is nothing to avoid. You can go one step further and promote the Warsaw faction in the DAP. The image began to penetrate into Malay society. In the 2018 general election, there was a significant increase in Malay candidates, which later became YB. Of course, they will also face internal opposition, but this issue can be handed over to Lin Jixiang and Lin Guanying.

Regardless of whether Lim Guanying chooses the Yingsha faction or not, and no matter what he is thinking, his only way is to establish contact with the Yingsha faction. The pro-British Saudi camp seems to be more inclusive and can help the DAP and himself eliminate the previously demonized image. Unless DAP does not intend to discover Malay votes (this is impossible because DAP is no longer an ordinary party, but has participated in power), DAP needs to eliminate its image as a Chinese party.

In addition, the Lin family and his son control almost the entire party. In view of this, it is easy to bring out the ideas of the Yingsha School.

To put it simply, I think that the whole situation is that Liu Tianqiu accidentally cleared a way for the Yingsha faction to take their agenda further. I have also seen that the support rate that the Yingsha Agenda can get in the Malay community is no less than the support rate of losing Chinese voters (as explained above, the Chinese community will not give up the DAP to MCA and Gerakan, at least I Don't think it will happen).

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