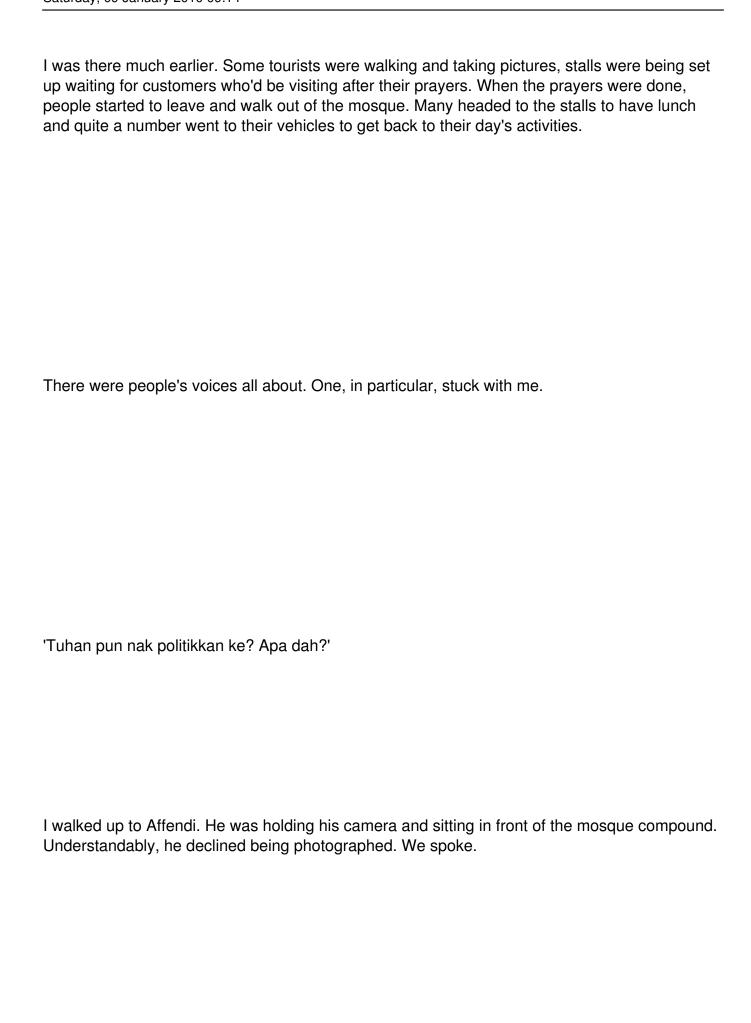


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I went to the Masjid Negara today.

I do not wish to delve much on the demonstration itself. The demo, when I was there in the mosque compound, was almost over. It was a short one, as reported by the media.



We spoke quite a bit there in front of the mosque compound, with tourists snapping pictures and the remaining demonstrators clamoring for the waning media attention.
I left after that.
Even as I'm writing this, civil society groups are working feverishly in order to bring reason and sanity to our spaces which have been tarred with hypocritical elements.
Now Affendi and the other voices I overheard may not be reflective of everyone, but the very
existence of these people tell me that this project, which is under severe attack at this time, is one I can still believe steadfastly. That's what I took back with me, and that's what I hope would

## Faith

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be taken to heart by all of us.

Believe instead.