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 KUALA LUMPUR, AUG. 18 (BERNAMA) -- THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE +POLITICAL CRISIS+ IN MALACCA WILL MEE AFTER LISTENING TO VIEW OF THE FOUR UMNO DIVISIONS IN THE STATE, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, DATUK SERI (DR.) MAHATHIR MOHAMAD, SAID TODAY.

TODAY, THE COMMITTEE HEARD THE VIEWS OF THE ALOR GAJAH AND JASIN DIVISIONS, HERE.

THE COMMITTEE OF FOUR UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL MEMBERS HEADED BY DATUK SERI (DR.) MAHATHIR WAS FORMED LAST WEEK FOLLOWING A MEMORANDUM SENT BY SEVERAL STATE-ASSEMBLYMEN TO THE CHIEF MINISTER, HAJI ABDUL GHANI ALI.

SEVEN OF THE EIGHT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE SAID TO BE AMONG THOSE WHO SENT THE MEMORANDUM +DEMANDING EXPLUSION+ OF HAJI GHANI.

HAJI GHANI, HEAD OF THE ALOR GAJAH DIVISION, DID NOT ATTEND THE THREE-HOUR MEETING BETWEEN HIS DIVISION AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF UMNO MALAYSIA THIS MORNING. -- BERNAMA MORE 1717/A7

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THE DIVISION'S DELEGATION WAS LED BY ITS DEPUTY HEAD, HAJI GHANI ISHAK, AN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER AND STATE-ASSEMBLYMAN FOR KELEMEK.

TWO OTHER ASSEMBLYMEN IN THE DELEGATION WERE ENCIK JOHARI YUSOF (MASJID TANAH), ALSO AN EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR, AND ENCIK ABDUL RAZAK ALIAS (TABOH NANING).

THIS EVENING, THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE HEARD THE VIEWS OF THE JASIN DIVISION DELEGATION LED BY THE MP FOR JASIN, HAJI AHMAD ITHNIN.

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION INCLUDED ENCIK AZIZ ALIAS (STATE-ASSEMBLYMAN FOR SERKAM), HAJI AHMAD DAHLAN SALEH (SUNGEI RAMBAI), ENCIK SABARUDDIN YAAKUB (NYALAS) AND ENCIK HASHIM YUSOF AIR PANAS.

DR. MAHATHIR TOLD NEWSMEN THE TWO OTHER DIVISIONS - KOTA MELAKA AND BATU BERENDAM - WOULD BE SUMMONED TO GIVE THEIR VIEWS TOMORROW. -- BERNAMA MORE 1720/AZ

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THE COMMITTEE WOULD HOLD A MEETING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER HEARING THE VIEWS OF ALL THE DIVISIONS, HE SAID.

IT WAS EXPECTED TO TAKE TWO WEEKS TO COMPLETE A REPORT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER, DATUK HUSSEIN ONN, WHO IS ALSO THE UMNO ACTING PRESIDENT, HE ADDED.

DATUK SERI (DR.) MAHATHIR SAID THE COMMITTEE HAD NO PLANS YET ABOUT MEETING HAJI ABDUL GHANI ON ITS INVESTIGATIONS.

A DECISION HAD NOT BEEN MADE WHETHER TO CALL THE GROUP OF ASSEMBLYMEN WHO SENT THE MEMORANDUM, HE SAID.

+ALL DEPENDS ON THE RESULTS OF THE VIEWS TO BE GIVEN BY THE UMNO DIVISIONS,+ HE ADDED.

THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ARE TENGGU RAZALEIGH HAMZAH (THE MINISTER OF FINANCE), DATUK MUSA HITAM (THE MINISTER OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES) AND DATUK SENU ABDUL RAHMAN (THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UMNO MALAYSIA). -- BERNAMA 1723/AZ

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DATUK SERI (DR. MAHATHIR SAID THE COMMITTEE WOULD MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO DATUK HUSSEIN ON SOLVING THE +CRISIS+.

HE WAS SPEAKING TO NEWSMEN AFTER A FOUR-HOUR MEETING WITH 22 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JASIN UMNO DIVISION.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND ENCIK AHMAD ITHNIN, THE HEAD OF THE DIVISION'S DELEGATION, DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE DETAILS OF THE MEETING. -- BERNAMA 1922/ZCM