

Mahathir spells out role of Malacca liaison members

Assembly under close watch

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MALACCA, Sun. — Acting Prime Minister Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad said today that Malacca Umno liaison members would keep an eye on the actions of every Umno State Assemblyman, including the Chief Minister and the State Executive Councillors.

The Umno Supreme Council, he added, would monitor

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir warned that people outside the country had no right to interfere in Malaysia's domestic affairs.

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir criticised the so-called "people's champions" who tried to win the hearts of the people by bringing up various issues — especially poverty and unemployment.

These people, he said, did so not because they sympathised with the poor, but out of their own selfish interests.

The Acting Prime Minister also called on Umno members to re-

sis should be discussed by the National Front.

The Supreme Council, he said, had completed a comprehensive report on the crisis to be submitted to the Prime Minister when he returned from overseas.

In PENANG, Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir said

try as politically stable and there would be no effect on foreign investments.

On doctors from unrecognised universities, Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir said: "We have to maintain the standard of doctors in the country."

He said it was the duty of the Government to see that not only doctors but all other professions maintained their standards.

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the running of Umno divisions in the State as well as settle problems brought to its attention.

This meant that the Supreme Council would, indirectly, regulate and determine political and State Government activities.

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir, who is chairman of the new Malacca Umno liaison committee, was briefing members of the Kota Melaka, Jasin, Batu Berendam and Alor Gajah division liaison committees here today.

However, he said, this should not be taken as a slur on the State Legislative Assembly as it was solely directed at improving the present situation.

He said the State Umno liaison committee would not take any sides in future misunderstandings and decisions taken by it would be final.

He assured members that he and the four divisional heads would withdraw and hand over the running of the State Umno to them once the crisis was settled.

The Acting Prime Minister was addressing more than 1,000 people at the Umno 31st anniversary celebration at Kampong Dodol here yesterday.

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Feedbacks

While addressing the Malaysian Chamber of Commerce and Industry at a dinner last night, Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir stressed the importance of proper planning in implementing projects under the Third Malaysia Plan.

"It is necessary to have proper planning in order to succeed in our various projects," he said.

He also urged the Malay Chamber of Commerce and Industry to help its members.

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir said the Government would also help bumiputra traders and the chambers should provide feedback.

Present at the dinner were the national president of the Chamber, Senator Kamarul Ariffin, Chief Minister Dr. Lim Chong Eu, and the Chamber's Penang branch president, Syed Abbas Alhabshee.

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir later told newsmen that Datuk Hussein Onn would determine whether the Kelantan PAS cri-

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the current political crisis would not affect the security and economy of the country.

He said as far as security matters were concerned, it was the responsibility of the Federal Government, and the State Government would only be responsible for administration and State matters.

However, Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir said, there was nothing to worry as such crisis would always happen in a democratic country.

Dr. Mahathir was speaking to reporters at Wisma Persekutuan here before returning to Kuala Lumpur after a brief visit here where he met members of the Malaysian Malay Chamber of Commerce, Umno members, and head of Government departments.

He said if the country was too quiet, people would think that it was being ruled by a dictator.

Dato Seri Dr. Mahathir also said that the crisis had no impact on country's economy.

He said foreign investors considered our coun-