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PENANG, JUNE 17 (BERNAMA) — UMNO DOES NOT NEED A FORTUNE TELLER TO REVEAL THE FUTURE OF THE PARTY, ITS DEPUTY PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY.

THE FUTURE OF THE PARTY WOULD BE DECIDED BY MEMBERS WHO HAD THE RESOLVE AND DETERMINATION TO MAKE THE PARTY AN ENDURING ORGANISATION.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THIS WHEN OPENING THE DELEGATES' MEETING OF THE JELUTONG UMNO DIVISION HERE.

HE SAID THE SECRET OF UMNO'S SUCCESS SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1964 WAS THE DETERMINED EFFORTS OF THE LEADERS AND MEMBERS AND NOT PROPHECIES BY SOOTHSAYERS, HE ADDED.

HE WAS COMMENTING ON FORECASTS OF A BLEAK FUTURE FOR MALAYS AND UMNO BY SOME PEOPLE.

+UMNO DOES NOT BELIEVE IN CRYSTAL-GAZING BUT IN EFFORT AND ENDEAVOURS,+ HE SAID. — BERNAMA MORE 1636/AZ

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DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR SAID MALAYS SHOULD TURN THEIR ATTENTION TO IMPROVING THEMSELVES IN ECONOMICS AND EDUCATION BECAUSE THEY ALREADY POSSESSED SPECIAL POLITICAL ABILITIES.

ON PROBLEMS OF THE MALAY COMMUNITY IN PENANG, HE WAS CONFIDENT THE COMMUNITY WOULD OVERCOME ITS PROBLEMS BY DIRT OF HARD WORK RATHER THAN BY WAITING FOR THE DECISION OF FATE.

EARLIER, HEAD OF THE DIVISION ENCIK YUSOF LATIF, SAID THE DIVISION WOULD SUBMIT A RESOLUTION URGING THAT KAMPUNG DODOL, SUNGAI PINANG, JALAN PETANI, KAMPUNG RAWANA, KEBUN LAMA, JELUTONG AND KELASI BE MADE PROTECTED VILLAGES.

HE SAID THE PROPOSED STEP WAS NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN THE MALAY PRESENCE IN THE URBAN AREAS OF PENANG.

ENCIK YUSOF ALSO SAID THE DIVISION'S INFORMATION BUREAU WOULD LAUNCH A SERIES OF SPECIAL INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR MEMBERS WHO WERE IN THE 16 TO 25-YEAR AGE GROUP. — BERNAMA 1639/AZ