

No discussion on expulsion: Dr M

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sht. The Prime Minister has dismissed as rumours speculation that the possible expulsion of the MCA from the coalition may be discussed at the forthcoming meeting of the Barisan Nasional Supreme Council.

"I don't know about this... I didn't start the rumour," Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said when asked to comment.

Dr Mahathir, who is also the Barisan Nasional chairman, said the on-going MCA crisis was not a specific item on the agenda for the Supreme Council meeting scheduled for Aug 17.

"We are calling for a Barisan Nasional meeting. We will discuss whatever matters come up," he told reporters after launching a luxury condominium project here.

Dr Mahathir, however, said that the Barisan Nasional Supreme Council would discuss, among other matters, the application by the Parti Bersatu Sabah (PBS) to join the 11-member coalition.