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KUALA LUMPUR, SEPT 27 (BERNAMA) -- USNO HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO REJOIN THE BARISAN NASIONAL, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY.

THE APPLICATION WAS RECEIVED LAST WEEK, HE TOLD REPORTERS DURING A BREAK AT THE UMNO GENERAL ASSEMBLY HERE.

THE PRIME MINISTER DECLINED TO STATE THE BN'S VIEW ON THE MATTER OTHER THAN TO SAY THAT +IT IS AN INTERNAL MATTER OF THE BN.+

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER DATUK MUSA HITAM, WHO WAS PRESENT, SAID THE PARTI NASIONALIS MALAYSIA (PNM) HAD NOT BEEN REGISTERED YET.

HOWEVER, HE SAID, THE GOVERNMENT HAD COME TO KNOW THAT CUEPACS PRESIDENT ENCIK AHMAD NOR WAS ONE OF THE CONVENORS OF THE PARTY AND THAT HE WOULD HOLD THE TOP POST. -- MORE

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DATUK MUSA SAID THE GOVERNMENT DID NOT FEAR THE PNM'S FORMATION BUT ADDED THAT WHAT WAS OF INTEREST WAS THAT ENCIK AHMAD NOR WOULD BE +WEARING THREE HATS+ -- BEING A POLITICAL PARTY LEADER, A UNION LEADER AND A GOVERNMENT OFFICER.

+NOW WE UNDERSTAND WHY ENCIK AHMAD NOR HAS BEEN MAKING ALL THOSE THREATS. HE HAS PERSONAL POLITICAL AMBITIONS,+ DATUK MUSA ADDED. -- BERNAMA

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