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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT 26 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMED HAS AGREED TO A PRELIMINARY MEETING WITH CUEPACS NEXT WEDNESDAY AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT TO DISCUSS THE CIVIL SERVANTS' WAGE CLAIMS.

CUEPACS SECRETARY-GENERAL HAJI JAMALUDDIN MOHAMED ISA SAID TODAY HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM FINANCE MINISTER DAIM ZAINUDDIN CONFIRMING THE DATE AND VENUE OF THE MEETING.

HAJI JAMALUDDIN SAID A TOTAL OF 30 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WORKERS -- FIVE FROM CUEPACS AND FIVE EACH FROM THE FIVE NATIONAL JOINT COUNCILS (NJC) (STAFF SIDE) -- WOULD BE COMING.

HE SAID THE REPRESENTATIVES WOULD ADOPT AN +OPEN MIND BY LISTENING FIRST TO WHAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS TO SAY AND THEN ONLY GIVING OUR VIEWS.+

HAJI JAMALUDDIN SAID THE PRE-COUNCIL MEETING OF THE FIVE NJCS WOULD ALSO BE HELD THE SAME DAY AT CUEPACS HEADQUARTERS. -- MORE

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HE ADDED THAT CUEPACS AND THE FIVE NJCS WERE ALSO AT THE SAME TIME CARRYING OUT +BEHIND THE SCENE EFFORTS+ TO PREPARE CONTINGENCY PLANS SHOULD THE COMING MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER FAIL TO REACH AN AMICABLE SOLUTION TO THE WAGE CLAIMS DISPUTE.

HAJI JAMALUDDIN DECLINED TO ELABORATE ON THE CONTINGENCY PLANS.-- BERNAMA

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