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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT 18 (BERNAMA) -- DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY THAT HE HAD NOT HELD ANY MEETINGS WITH DAP SECRETARY-GENERAL LIM KIT SIANG TO DISCUSS THE DAP'S PARTICIPATION IN THE BARISAN NASIONAL.

THE PRIME MINISTER, WHO IS ALSO BARISAN NASIONAL CHAIRMAN, SAID THIS TO REPORTERS WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT ON TALK THAT SUCH A MEETING HAD BEEN HELD.

HE WAS ALSO ASKED TO COMMENT ON THE CALL BY FORMER MCA ACTING PRESIDENT DATUK DR NEO YEE PAN THAT THE DAP JOIN THE BN TO STRENGTHEN THE COUNTRY'S POLITICAL STABILITY.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID HE FELT THAT THE COUNTRY OUGHT TO HAVE SOME OPPOSITION BECAUSE A ONE-PARTY SYSTEM WOULD NOT ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO GET A TRUE PICTURE OF ITSELF.

+I AM NOT SAYING THAT I DO NOT LIKE THE PROPOSAL BUT WE NEED TO HAVE AN OPPOSITION,+ HE SAID. -- BERNAMA
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