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KUALA LUMPUR, FEB 7⁸⁷ (BERNAMA) -- THE UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL TODAY AGREED TO THE PARTY HAVING A MUZAKARAH (DISCUSSION) WITH PAS AND DECIDED THAT UMNO TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIS.

PRIME MINISTER AND UMNO PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID IT ALSO DECIDED THAT THE DIALOGUE BE HELD CLOSED-DOOR AND THE TOPICS NOT BE PUBLICISED.

HE TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AFTER CHAIRING THE FOUR-HOUR SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING AT MENARA DATO ONN IN UMNO COMPLEX HERE THAT THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE MUZAKARAH HAD YET TO BE FIXED.

PAS PRESIDENT HAJI YUSOF RAWA HAD RECENTLY EXPRESSED THE PARTY'S UNCONDITIONAL AGREEMENT FOR A MUZAKARAH WITH UMNO.

ON THE UMNO REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TALKS, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID UMNO HAD YET TO DECIDE ON THEM. -- MORE (ENDS CORRECTED REPETITION)

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ASKED WHETHER UMNO BELIEVED THE MUZAKARAH WOULD SUCCEED, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID: +WE MUST NOT MAKE SPECULATIONS. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT WE UNDERTAKE THE EFFORT. WHETHER OR NOT IT WILL SUCCEED IS UP TO ALLAH.+

HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE DISCUSSION WOULD BE HELD BEHIND CLOSED DOORS, THE PUBLIC AND PRESS WOULD BE INFORMED OF THE DATE, VENUE AND TIME.

THE PRESS WOULD BE ALLOWED TO TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE DISCUSSION.

ISLAMIC ORGANISATIONS IN THE COUNTRY HAD EARLIER EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE HOLDING OF THE MUZAKARAH AIMED AT UNITING THE UMMAH. -- BERNAMA

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