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KUALA LUMPUR, MARCH 24 (BERNAMA) -- UMNO PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY THE UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER THE PARTY SHOULD CONTINUE WITH ITS PLAN TO SPREAD TO SABAH.

HE SAID THE DECISION FOR UMNO TO GO TO SABAH WAS MADE AT THE PREVIOUS SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING AND SHOULD UMNO WANT TO SHELVE THE PLAN, THE COUNCIL SHOULD MAKE THE DECISION ON THIS.

+I CANNOT DECIDE ON MY OWN BECAUSE THE DECISION WAS MADE BY THE SUPREME COUNCIL,+ HE TOLD NEWSMEN HERE WHEN ASKED TO COMMENT ON A NEWS REPORT FROM KOTA KINABALU QUOTING USNO PRESIDENT TUN DATU MUSTAPHA HARUN AS SAYING DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR HAD AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO DEFER UMNO'S EXPANSION TO SABAH.

TUN DATU MUSTAPHA HAD SAID THE UMNO PRESIDENT WOULD DECIDE THE PARTY WOULD NOT GO TO SABAH IF USNO COULD BE REORGANISED AND CONSOLIDATED TO EFFECTIVELY REPRESENT BUMIPUTERAS IN THE STATE. -- MORE

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID HE HAD TOLD TUN DATU MUSTAPHA THE UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL WOULD MAKE ITS DECISION ON WHETHER THE PARTY WOULD SPREAD ITS WINGS TO SABAH.

UMNO FIRST INTENDED TO GO TO SABAH WHEN TUN DATU MUSTAPHA ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION AS USNO PRESIDENT AND THERE WAS +NO ONE+ TO TAKE OVER HIS POST AND ORGANISE THE PARTY. -- BERNAMA
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