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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT 28 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD TODAY CALLED ON THE PEOPLE AND ALL GROUPS TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN EFFORTS TO ENSURE UNITY AND UNDERSTANDING IN THE COUNTRY.

HE WARNED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT HESITATE TO ACT FIRMLY AGAINST THOSE ATTEMPTING TO CREATE CHAOS OR OBSTRUCT IT FROM CARRYING OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN STABILITY AND PEACE IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE WELL-BEING OF THE PEOPLE.

ADDRESSING THE DEWAN RAKYAT HERE FOLLOWING THE DETENTION OF 63 PEOPLE UNDER THE INTERNAL SECURITY ACT (ISA) BY POLICE SINCE YESTERDAY, THE PRIME MINISTER, WHO IS ALSO HOME MINISTER, SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE COUNTRY AND THEREFORE, AGREED WITH THE ACTION OF THE POLICE. -- BERNAMA

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HE SAID SEVERAL MATTERS THAT HAD FORMED THE BASIS OF INDEPENDENCE AND THE FEDERAL CONSTITUTION COULD NOT BE DISPUTED BY ANYONE.

THIS WAS BECAUSE IF ONE COMMUNITY WERE TO QUESTION THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER, THE SECOND COMMUNITY WOULD RETALIATE BY QUESTIONING THE RIGHTS OF THE FIRST.

AS SUCH, THESE ACTS OF QUESTIONING AND COUNTER-QUESTIONING, CRITICISING AND COUNTER-CRITICISING AND CHALLENGING AND COUNTER-CHALLENGING WOULD ESCALATE AND LEAD TO A TENSE AND HOSTILE SITUATION TO THREATEN NATIONAL STABILITY, HE ADDED. -- BERNAMA
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