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MAHATHIR - UMNO

KUALA LUMPUR, 26 OKT (BERNAMA) -- PERPADUAN DALAM UMNO AMAT PENTING BAGI MENCAPAI CITA-CITA MALAYSIA UNTUK MENJADI SEBUAH NEGARA PERINDUSTRIAN, KATA PERDANA MENTERI DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD.

PRESIDEN UMNO ITU BERKATA MELALUI PERPADUAN PARTI ITU DAPAT MEMAINKAN PERANANNYA YANG DINAMIS SEBAGAI JENTERA PENDORONG KE ARAH PERKEMBANGAN DAN KEMAJUAN NEGARA YANG LEBIH PESAT PADA MASA HADAPAN.

BELIAU BERKATA DEMIKIAN DALAM KATA-KATA ALUAN PADA BUKU LAPORAN SEMPENA PERHIMPUNAN AGUNG UMNO SELAMA TIGA HARI YANG BERMULA JUMAAT INI.

PERHIMPUNAN AGUNG ITU AKAN DIDAHULUI OLEH PERJUMPAAN KHAS PERGERAKAN PEMUDA DAN WANITA UMNO ESOK.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR BERKATA TAHUN-TAHUN AKAN DATANG MERUPAKAN CABARAN DAN UJIAN UNTUK UMNO YANG MEMERLUKAN SEMUA ANGGOTANYA MEMBAHARUI TEKAD DAN AZAM UNTUK MEMPERTAHAN DAN MEMPERKUKUHKAN PARTI DEMI MASA DEPAN BANGSA DAN NEGARA.

BELIAU JUGA MENGINGATKAN PARA ANGGOTA TENTANG TANGGUNGJAWAB UMNO YANG KERAMAT SEBAGAI BENTENG BANGSA DAN NEGARA. -- LAGI.

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KATANYA, PERHIMPUNAN AGUNG KALI INI AKAN MENCATAT SEJARAH KERANA IA AKAN MEMBINCANG DAN MERUMUSKAN PERLEMBAGAAN PARTI.

SESEBUAH PERLEMBAGAAN PERLULAH DISESUAIKAN DENGAN KEPERLUAN DAN KEADAAN SEMASA KERANA PERLEMBAGAAN BUKANLAH SESUATU YANG MATI DAN BEKU +TETAPI SEBALIKNYA IA SESUATU YANG HIDUP, DINAMIS DAN FLEKSIBEL.+

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR JUGA MAHUKAN ANGGOTA UMNO MENJAGA DAN MEMPERTAHANKAN PARTI ITU DARIPADA DIHANCURKAN OLEH UNSUR-UNSUR TERTENTU BAGI MENERUSKAN PERJUANGAN MENYATUPADUKAN RAKYAT DEMI MENCAPAI KEMAKMURAN DAN KEBAHAGIAN HIDUP. -- BERNAMA.

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MAHATHIR-BRANCHES

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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT 28 (BERNAMA) -- THE OLD UMNO WAS DECLARED UNLAWFUL NOT BECAUSE IT HAD UNREGISTERED BRANCHES BUT BECAUSE IT WAS BROUGHT TO COURT, PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY.

STRESSING THIS POINT WHEN OPENING THE PARTY'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT THE PUTRA WORLD TRADE CENTRE HERE, HE SAID BEFORE THIS CASE, SOME MEMBERS HAD BROUGHT THE PARTY TO COURT AFTER THE 1984 GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUT LATER DROPPED THE MATTER.

FOLLOWING THIS, THE PARTY HEADQUARTERS CHECKED BRANCH RECORDS AND FOUND THERE WERE 5,000 UNREGISTERED BRANCHES.

AFTER THE BRANCHES WERE REGISTERED, THE PARTY SECRETARY-GENERAL ORDERED THAT THEY HOLD INAUGURAL MEETINGS.

SOME OF THESE BRANCHES HAD BEEN UNREGISTERED SINCE 1966 BUT THIS DID NOT CAUSE THE PARTY TO BE RULED UNLAWFUL. -- MORE

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THIS IS BECAUSE NO MEMBER HAD THEN BROUGHT A SUIT AGAINST THE PARTY, HE ADDED..

ACCORDING TO HIM, THE REAL CULPRITS IN GETTING THE PARTY DE-REGISTERED WERE NOT THE ILLEGAL BRANCHES BUT PARTY MEMBERS WHO DID NOT REALLY LOVE UMNO AND WERE WILLING TO TAKE IT TO COURT.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID THE LEGAL OBSTRUCTIONS HAD NOW BEEN OVERCOME BY RE-REGISTERING THE PARTY AND OPERATING AS BEFORE.

HE SAID UMNO EXISTED IN REALITY AND NO ONE COULD LIE, PRETEND OR OFFICIALLY SAY IT DID NOT EXIST AND MUST BE REVIVED.

UMNO WAS NOT A CREATURE THAT COULD LIVE AND DIE BUT AN ORGANISATION ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS.

+ONLY ITS REGISTRATION WAS DISRUPTED TEMPORARILY. ALL OTHER EFFORTS TO DO AWAY WITH UMNO FAILED,+ HE SAID. -- BERNAMA

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