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PETALING JAYA, OCT 3, (BERNAMA) -- MIC DEPUTY PRESIDENT DATUK S. SUBRAHANIAH TODAY DENIED ALLEGATIONS THAT HE WAS INVOLVED IN AN BID TO TOPPLE ~~DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD~~ IN THE APRIL 1987 UMNO ELECTIONS.

+THE PRIHE MINISTER AND OTHER UMNO LEADERS KNOW THE TRUTH. I HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF UMNO OR ANY OTHER COMPONENT PARTY IN BARISAN NASIONAL, + HE TOLD REPORTERS AT HIS RESIDENCE HERE IN RESPONSE TO ALLEGATIONS BY MIC PRESIDENT DATUK SERI S. SAHY VELLU YESTERDAY.

DATUK **SUBRAMANIAM**, WHO IS ALSO DEPUTY AGRICULTURE MINISTER, SAID THE ALLEGATIONS BY DATUK SERI SAHY VELLU WERE AMONG THE SPECIFIC MATTERS HE DISCUSSED WITH THE PRIHE MINISTER, WHO IS UMNO PRESIDENT, RECENTLY.

+I HAVE TOLD THE PRIHE MINISTER OF THE MIC PRESIDENT'S ALLEGATIONS SUCH AS THIS . . . THAT I WAS SUPPORTING TENGKU RAZALEIGH **HAMZAH**, + HE SAID, ADDING THAT HE ALWAYS HAD A CORDIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PRIHE MINISTER AND OTHER UMNO LEADERS.

DATUK SUBRAHANIAH ALSO SAID HE HAD NEVER CLAIMED THAT DATUK SERI **DR MAHATHIR** HAD ENDORSED HIS CANDIDACY FOR THE MIC PRESIDENT'S POST.

HE SAID THE ALLEGATIONS BY DATUK SERI **SAMY VELLU** WERE AN ATTEMPT TO DIVERT THE ATTENTION OF VOTERS IN THE OCT 15 PARTY PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. -- HORE

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+I'M FACING THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION FOR THE MIC... NOT UMNO. IF DATUK SERI **SAMY VELLU** SAID THAT I COULD HAVE INFLUENCED THE UMNO VOTERS, HE IS **UNDERESTIMATING** AND INSULTING THE DELEGATES IN UMNO WHO ARE MATURE ENOUGH TO HANDLE THEIR OWN **AFFAIRS**, + HE SAID.

DATUK SUBRAHANIAH SAID HE DID NOT WISH TO BRING DATUK SERI **DR MAHATHIR'S** NAME INTO THE ELECTION OR DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD TARNISH THE PRIME MINISTER'S **IMAGE** AND DIGNITY.

ASKED TO COMMENT ON DATUK SERI **SAMY VELLU'S** CLAIM THAT HE HAD EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT HIS **ALLEGATIONS**, DATUK **SUBRAMANIAM** SAID: +HE IS NOT RUNNING THE CIA IN THIS COUNTRY. THE PRIHE MINISTER AND THE POLICE SHOULD **KNOW**, NOT **HIM**.+

HE ADDED: +THE PRIHE MINISTER, AS LEADER OF THE **BN**, IS FULLY AWARE OF NOT ONLY THE SITUATION IN THE PARTY BUT ALSO ITS **PERSONALITIES**.+

DATUK SUBRAHANIAH SAID THAT HE DID NOT PLAN TO TAKE ANY LEGAL ACTION AGAINST DATUK SERI **SAMY VELLU**, WHO IS ENERGY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTS MINISTER, FOR **MAKING** THE ALLEGATIONS.

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