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PASIR GUDANG, JULY 6⁹⁰ (BERNAMA) -- DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY IT IS HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO REMIND THE PEOPLE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BARISAN NASIONAL GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE, CONTINUING TO RULE MALAYSIA IN THE INTEREST OF PEACE AND THEIR WELLBEING.

AS THE BN GOVERNMENT WAS STRONG AFTER SECURING A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN THE DEWAN RAKYAT, IT COULD DRAW UP ANY POLICY AND IMPLEMENT IT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE AND THE NATION WITHOUT HARBOURING ANY FEARS OF BEING TOPPLED, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID WHEN ADDRESSING ABOUT 5,000 PEOPLE HERE.

REFERRING TO THE INCIDENT ON MAY 13, 1969, HE SAID IT HAPPENED BECAUSE THE OPPOSITION CHALLENGED THE INTEGRITY OF THE ALLIANCE WHICH AT THAT TIME OBTAINED ONLY A SMALL VICTORY.

HE SAID IT WAS NOT HIS INTENTION TO FRIGHTEN THE PEOPLE AS ALLEGED BY THE OPPOSITION.

WHAT WAS IMPORTANT WAS TO ENSURE THAT THE BN GOVERNMENT OBTAINED A MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS VICTORY SO AS TO GUARANTEE CONTINUED PEACE AND STABILITY, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID.

HE SAID THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT WHICH WAS SUPPORTED BY ALL COMMUNITIES GAVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO EVERYONE AND NO COMMUNITY WAS LEFT BEHIND WHEN DECISIONS WERE MADE. -- MORE

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID THAT IN THE BARISAN NASIONAL, COMPONENT PARTIES GAVE MUTUAL HELP TO ANY BN PARTY CANDIDATE EVEN IF THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS WERE NOT FROM THE PARTY WHICH IS REPRESENTING THE BN IN THE AREA.

BY WAY OF EXAMPLE, HE SAID THERE WAS NO CONSTITUENCY WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS WERE INDIANS AND DESPITE THIS, MIC CANDIDATES WON IN THE ELECTION AND HAVE A PLACE IN THE GOVERNMENT.

ON HIS CLOSED DOOR MEETING WITH JOHOR UMNO LEADERS IN JOHOR BAHARU THIS MORNING, HE SAID THAT HE TOUCHED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UMNO STRUGGLE AND THAT THESE SHOULD BE GIVEN PRIORITY BY PARTY MEMBERS IN FACING THE GENERAL ELECTION.

ON THE PBS ELECTION MANIFESTO WHICH CALLED FOR THE RETURN OF LABUAN'S ADMINISTRATION TO SABAH, THE PRIME MINISTER REITERATED DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER GHAFAR BABA'S STATEMENT THAT THIS WOULD BE RESOLVED AFTER THE STATE ELECTION. -- MORE

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THE PRIME MINISTER AND DATUK SERI DATIN PADUKA DR SITI HASMAH WERE GIVEN A ROUSING WELCOME ON THEIR ARRIVAL IN PASIR GUDANG.

AMONG THE WELCOME PARTY WERE A KOMPANG BAND AND BUNGA MANGGAR BEARERS.

AMONG THE BARISAN NASIONAL WELCOME BANNERS WERE SOME HITTING OUT AT THE MTUC OVER THE GSP ISSUE.

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE INCLUDING HUNDREDS OF FACTORY WORKERS GREETED THE PRIME MINISTER AND HIS WIFE.-- BERNAMA

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