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TELUK INTAN, OCT 18 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER (DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID THE PBS WILL REGRET BELIEVING IN SEMANGAT 46 PRESIDENT TENGKU RAZALEIGH HAMZAH'S NOTION THAT SABAH AND SARAWAK ARE THE +KING MAKERS+ IN DECIDING WHO SHOULD LEAD THE GOVERNMENT.

HE SAID PBS HAD MADE A MISCALCULATION BY BELIEVING THAT + IT IS THEY WHO CROWN THE PERSON WHO HOLD THE REINS OF GOVERNMENT+.

+PBS WANTS TO BE A +KINGMAKER,+ TO DECIDE WHO SHOULD RULE. THIS IS A MISCALCULATION ... IT WILL REGRET LATER,+ SAID DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR WHEN ADDRESSING A PEOPLE'S GATHERING AT SEKOLAH MENENGAH HUTAN MELINTANG ABOUT 12 KM FROM HERE TODAY.

HE SAID PBS PRESIDENT DATUK JOSEPH PAIRIN KITINGAN BELIEVED THAT CITIZENS IN THE PENINSULA WERE DIVIDED INTO TWO FACTIONS AND WHICHEVER FACTION IT SUPPORTED WOULD WIN IN SUNDAY'S GENERAL ELECTION.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID BN COMPONENT PARTIES IN SARAWAK DID NOT SUBSCRIBE TO TENGKU RAZALEIGH'S NOTION AND HAD REMAINED WITH THE BN STILL.-- MORE

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID THE BN HAD ALWAYS STRESSED ON RACIAL CO-EXISTENCE IN THE PENINSULA AS WELL AS IN SABAH AND SARAWAK.

HOWEVER, HE SAID, DATUK PAIRIN ONLY SPOKE ABOUT SABAH AND THE KADAZAN COMMUNITY AS THOUGH + HE IS LIVING OUTSIDE MALAYSIA+.

AS SUCH, HE SAID, IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR THE BN TO COOPERATE WITH SUCH REEDY PEOPLE.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID IT WAS VITAL THAT MULTI-RACIAL MALAYSIANS LEARN TO COOPERATE WITH EACH OTHER AND NOT BE RADICAL.

HE SAID PARTIES IN THE BN HAVE BEEN COOPERATING SINCERELY WITH EACH OTHER TO SERVE THE PEOPLE.-- MORE

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+ WE SINCERELY HELP EACH OTHER. THEN WE FORM THE GOVERNMENT AND TREAT EVERY COMMUNITY EQUALLY INCLUDING THOSE IN SABAH AND SARAWAK,+ HE SAID.

THIS PREMISE OF COOPERATION HAD ALLOWED FOR INDIAN CANDIDATES TO BE FIELDED IN MALAY-MAJORITY AREAS AND VICE-VERSA, HE SAID.

IN LIGHTER VEIN, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE DIFFERENCE WAS ONLY +BETWEEN SATAY AND MARUKU+.

ON THE CONTRARY, PAS COOPERATED WITH THE DAP ONLY FOR OWN CONVENIENCE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION BUT IN FRONT OF THEIR SUPPORTERS, THEY PRETENDED THERE WAS NO COOPERATION.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR REMINDED PAS SUPPORTERS THAT DAP LEADER KARPAL SINGH HAD ONCE SAID PROPONENTS FOR AN ISLAMIC STATE IN MALAYSIA COULD ONLY DO SO +OVER HIS DEAD BODY+.-- MORE

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THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE PARTAI RAKYAT MALAYSIA (PRM) WAS STILL SOCIALIST IN NATURE ALTHOUGH IT HAD DROPPED THE WORD +SOSIALIS+ FROM ITS NAME.

HE REMINDED THE PEOPLE THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THE BN SECURED A TWO-THIRD MAJORITY IN PARLIAMENT IN THE GENERAL ELECTION THIS SUNDAY TO FORM A STABLE GOVERNMENT WHICH COULD NOT BE BLACKMAILED BY PEOPLE FOND OF +PARTY-HOPPING+.

PERAK MENTERI BESAR TAN SRI RAMLI NGAH TALIB, TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER DATUK SERI RAFIDAH AZIZ AND DEPUTY HOME MINISTER DATUK MEGAT JUNID MEGAT AYUB WERE AMONG THOSE PRESENT.-- BERNAMA
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