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UMNO SETS UP CONSUMERS BUREAU

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 6/ (Bernama) ⁹³ ⁸ -- The Umno Supreme Council at its meeting today agreed to set up a Consumers Bureau in efforts to check inflation, party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today. He said the bureau would be chaired by the Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Datuk Abu Hassan Omar and would have branches in all states.

It would co-operate with all groups including the State Consumer Councils which had been set by the government to check inflation, he said.

"For the present we are setting up the bureau only state level but the divisions can implement its programmes," Dr Mahathir told a news conference after chairing the meeting here.

He said Umno had decided to set up the Consumers Bureau as it considered inflation as a serious problem. -- more

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"We don't believe that economic growth should necessarily be accompanied by inflation," he said.

"Our country's objective is high growth and low inflation," he said.

Dr Mahathir said everyone had a role in controlling inflation as it involved all.

Umno would strive to alert the people to the role they could play in controlling inflation, he added. -- Bernama

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