

08 SEP 1996

Cuepacs-Allegations

CUEPACS WANTS TO COUNTER SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST MALAYSIA

KUANTAN, Sept 8 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs will ask the government to include trade union representatives in its trade delegations overseas so that the unionists can help to counter wild allegations against Malaysia.

Cuepacs secretary-general N. Siva Subramaniam said today that trade union representatives would be in a good position to tell their counterparts or non-governmental organisation (NGO) members of the true situation in Malaysia.

This would be among the topics Cuepacs would raise with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, he told reporters after meeting Cuepacs members in Pahang here.

Cuepacs, the umbrella body for civil service unions, hopes the meeting could be held before the end of the year.

He said Cuepacs strongly condemned the actions of people who smeared Malaysia's image overseas.

"Some union leaders in this country tarnish Malaysia's image overseas by making unfounded accusations...we should emulate the Japanese who never run down their own country overseas," he said.

On the New Remuneration System (SSB), Siva Subramaniam, who is secretary-general of the National Union of Teaching Profession (NUTP), claimed that some department heads practised favouritism when making performance appraisal of their staff.

The Public Services Department should investigate cases of staff who had been given vertical or diagonal increments twice or more, he said. --

BERNAMA

AZ YBY