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KELANTAN MB WAITING FOR LETTERS FROM FOUR EXCO MEN

KOTA BAHARU, Nov 30 (Bernama) -- Kelantan Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat will reshuffle the State Executive Council as soon as the four State Executive Councillors from the former Parti Melayu Semangat 46 (S46) submit their resignation letters.

"I'm only waiting for their resignation letters," he told reporters, here today.

He said the four should heed the Umno Supreme Council's directive to resign since Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the party had no coalition with the PAS government in Kelantan.

"If they still refuse, it is better for them to leave Umno as they would make the president look bad," he said.

The four had said that they would only resign after receiving an official letter from Umno on the directive.

On the anticipated problem of getting the consent from Sultan Kelantan to the reshuffle, Nik Aziz was optimistic that the differences between PAS and the Palace would be resolved.

"Insya-Allah, it will not go on forever," he said.

On PAS' relations with Umno, Nik Aziz said he would try to bring the two parties closer despite political differences and different views on Islamic issues.

He also said PAS would take no further action on the idea of forming a coalition government with Umno but would wait for Umno's move.

Since the idea was first mentioned by Kemahang assemblyman Mohd Adhan Kechik and Melor assemblyman Datuk Zainal Abibin Abdul Kadir, they should initiate the move, he said. -- BERNAMA

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