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PM HAS NOT PERSONALLY BEEN INFORMED OF MUHYIDDIN'S INTENTION

KUALA LUMPUR, March 10 (Bernama) -- Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today he had not been personally informed by Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin of the latter's intention to step down as Johor Umno liaison chairman.

As such, he could not comment on the matter, he said.

He had only read about in the newspapers, he told reporters after flagging off the Green Run '96 organised by the Science, Technology and Environment Ministry, here.

Last Thursday, Muhyiddin, who is also an Umno vice-president, was reported as saying that he would hand over the post of state Umno liaison chairman to Johor Menteri Besar Ghani Othman in keeping with the party tradition that the menteri besar hold the post.

He said this when attending a Chinese New Year and Hari Raya gathering organised by the Johor MCA. -- Bernama

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