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SABAH CABINET MINISTERS TO MEET MAHATHIR

KOTA KINABALU, June 30 (Bernama) -- Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Yong Teck Lee will lead his Cabinet members to a meeting with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in Kuala Lumpur tomorrow.

Yong, who is the Sabah Barisan Nasional (BN) chairman, said the meeting will discuss several issues in the state including security and development projects funded by the federal government.

He said two federal ministers from Sabah -- Land and Cooperative Development Minister Datuk Osu Sukam and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Chong Kah Kiat -- will also join the discussions.

The meeting was requested by the state government, he told reporters at a gotong-royong organised by his Sabah Progressive Party (SAPP) at Taman Teck Guan here today.

Yong also said the state security committee is expected to recommend a formula to overcome the problem of illegal immigrants in Sabah within the next three months.

He said Sabah welcomed the recent statement by Deputy Home Minister Datuk Megat Junid Megat Ayob that the "Ops Nyah" series of police actions will be extended to the state to curb the illegal immigrants problem.

The state government hoped the previous personnel who maintained the Vietnamese transit camp at Sungai Besi, which has now been closed, would be redeployed to serve a similar purpose in Sabah. -- BERNAMA

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