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CUEPACS SUBMITS MEMO TO PSD ON HIGHER HOUSING ALLOWANCE

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 3 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs remains firm with its decision to ask the government to increase the fixed housing allowance for the Management and Professional Group and Support Group to RM230 per month.

The Support Group currently receives RM90 while the Management and Professional Group RM110.

In this respect, Cuepacs has submitted a memorandum to the Public Services Department (PSD) on Jan 10 in line with the directive of the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to Cuepacs in their Oct 29 meeting.

Cuepacs secretary-general Abdul Rahman Manan said it was submitted together with other memoranda on new pension formula, Malaysia Incorporated and matrix salary table.

"It was presented to PSD Director-General JPA Datuk Dr Mazlan Ahmad," he said when contacted by Bernama here today.

He said the memorandum was the result of a special workshop between the Cuepacs President and secretaries general of affiliated unions in Langkawi from Dec 27 to 30.

Rahman said Cuepacs had also discussed the matter with the Chief Secretary to the Government Datuk Abdul Halim Ali recently.

Asked on the government's reaction, he said: "We're optimistic ... We'll wait and see."

"The Prime Minister has given a good respond," he said, adding that the PSD had told Cuepacs that the memorandum was under consideration.

Asked whether Cuepacs would ask for "City Allowance" for government employees working in the cities, he said it had been raised.

"But our priority now is to ensure that PSD agrees the request contained in the memorandum," he said. -- BERNAMA

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