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MAHATHIR CHAIRS UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 8 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is chairing an Umno Supreme Council meeting at the party headquarters at the Putra World Trade Centre here.

The meeting which began at 3.30pm is the first to be chaired by Dr Mahathir, who is the Umno president, since he returned from his two-month leave on July 22.

Also present are party deputy president Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and vice-presidents Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Umno Youth chief Datuk Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Wanita Umno chief Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman are also attending the meeting.

Umno's preparation for the Semerak by-election is among the subjects expected to be discussed at the meeting. -- BERNAMA

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