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NST exhibition in Sabah to also feature Lat's cartoons

KOTA KINABALU, Tues. - Cartoons by Malaysia's renowned cartoonist Datuk Mohamad Nor Khalid, better known as Lat, will be on display alongside photographs on Umno's 50-year struggle beginning this Thursday.

Specially flown from Kuala Lumpur by Poslaju National Courier, the exhibition will be launched by Sabah Umno liaison committee chairman Datuk Osu Sukam at the Wisma Muis lobby in Sembulan.

More than 20 of Lat's cartoons would be exhibited alongside more than 100 photographs on Umno's struggle between 1949 and 1996.

The photographs, many of which have never been published before, were taken by New Straits Times photographers. The exhibition is being organised by the NST, Sabah Umno and Fujicolor.

He said photographs featuring the struggles of past and present Umno leaders and members, including pictorial events in Sabah since Umno was established there on Feb 21, 1991 will also be exhibited.

Pos Malaysia Bhd (Sabah) State manager Shahri Jikun handed over the photographs and cartoons to Sabah Umno's executive secretary Kadzim Yahya.

Also present were Sabah Poslaju regional manager Yahya Gapar, its national assistant manager (advertising and promotions) Zamri Md Said, State Finance Minister's confidential secretary Hussein Kasau and NST specialist writer Joseph Bingkasan.

State Umno secretary Datuk Yahya Hussin said there would also be Sabah Umno's own collection of photographs at the exhibition. They include those on the first by-election involving Umno in the State.

In the by-election for Usukan Tun Datu Mustapha Datu Harun won the first seat in the State Legislative Assembly for Umno, beginning the party's history in Sabah.

Yahya said Umno members from branches had been informed about the exhibition and they were "waiting for the day."

He said for party members as well as members of the public who had not had the opportunity to see the photographs at Putra World Trade Centre in Kuala Lumpur or in other States, the exhibition in Sembulan would be a perfect chance to do so.

The inaugural exhibition was held at the PWTC in October last year and was launched by Umno president and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

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