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POLICE REPORT LODGED OVER UMNO YOUTH POLLS RESULT

KUALA LUMPUR, June 24 (Bernama) -- An Umno member today lodged a police report alleging cheating in the counting of votes for Umno Youth leader's post in the party's election last year.

Khairuddin Abu Hassan, from Medan Imbi Umno Branch in the Bukit Bintang division, lodged the report at Jalan Tun Razak police station, here.

He told reporters that he was going ahead to lodge the report as he was dissatisfied with the Umno Management and Disciplinary Committee which dismissed his allegation recently.

Khairuddin claimed that Tan Sri Abdul Rahim Tamby Chik, who failed to defend his post, had won in the election by a majority of five votes in the first count and by eight votes in the recount.

"But the official announcement contradicted the actual results," he said.

In the police report, Khairuddin also tendered a letter from a key witness who was involved in the vote-counting.

He, however, refused to reveal the witness' identity saying he left it to the police to investigate the case.

Rahim was reported to have lodged a similar report with the party management committee in May.

But Umno election panel found no case in Rahim's report, said Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad after chairing the supreme council meeting on May 10.

Rahim lost to the then Umno Youth Information Chief Datuk Ahmad Zahid Hamidi who polled 199 votes.

Rural Development Minister Datuk Annuar Musa, Negeri Sembilan Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamed Isa Abdul Samad and Abdul Rahman Mat Salleh also lost in the five-cornered fight. -- BERNAMA

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