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Appoint DPM on rotation, urges DAP

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. - DAP secretary-general Lim Kit Siang today called on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to appoint a Deputy Prime Minister by way of rotation until the emergence of a clear successor.

He said although it was an internal matter for Umno to keep the post vacant, the vacancy was a matter of public interest as it concerned the Government, people and nation.

"Umno can keep its post of deputy president vacant until the next Umno elections but it is unhealthy and undesirable to keep the DPM's post empty for close to a year," he said in a Press statement.

Kit Siang added that as Dr Mahathir had introduced the rotation system for the post of Sabah Chief Minister, he should consider appointing the DPM on a rotation basis with a two-month tour of office for each appointee.

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