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DAP: Have retirees head integrity committees

KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. - The DAP today urged the Government to appoint retired civil servants to head State Integrity Committees instead of Menteri Besar and Chief Ministers.

Its secretary-general Lim Kit Siang said this was necessary to show that, like others, the Menteri Besar and Chief Ministers were prepared to be scrutinised by the committees.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad had on Thursday issued 1998's first directive which required Menteri Besar and Chief Ministers to form the committees in a month.

The directive had also required the Menteri Besar and Chief Ministers to be the chairmen of their State Integrity Committees, whose formation is to stamp out corruption, criminal breach of trust, abuses of power and other irregularities in the State Governments.

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