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PERLIS BARISAN NASIONAL READY FOR ARAU BY-ELECTION

KANGAR, May 30 (Bernama) -- The Perlis Barisan Nasional is ready to face a by-election in the Arau parliamentary constituency following the death of MP Kamarudin Ahmad on Monday.

State BN chairman Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim said the party was prepared to dispel any issues raised by opposition parties if they decided to contest the by-election.

Shahidan, who is also the Menteri Besar, said he had yet to meet Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Dewan Rakyat Speaker Tan Sri Mohamed Zahir Ismail over the vacant parliamentary seat.

The Election Commission had stated that the Arau parliamentary by-election would be held since the seat fell vacant slightly more than two years before the current parliament is dissolved.

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