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POLICE LOOKING AT APPRIOPRIATE PROVISIONS AGAINST THREE

GERIK, Aug 16 (Bernama) -- The police are studying existing laws on charges to be made against the three person detained on Aug 8 for allegedly spreading rumours over the Internet, Deputy Home Minister Datuk Tajol Rosli Ghazali said today.

"The police are studying the Sedition Act as well as several others to find the best provisions to charge them with," he told reporters after opening an information course on Islamic Family Law and Domestic Violence Act, here.

He said the three are being detained under the Internal Security Act (ISA) and the police would determine the next course of action after completing their investigation.

Tajol said the police had to act fast and use the ISA against the three to avoid undesirable incidents.

The speedy action had succeeded in avoiding this including panic-buying among the public which could lead to price increase, he said.

To a question, Tajol said the police would not identify the three detainees as it could hamper investigation but their families had been informed.

He said the police would be acting according to the law in the case.

Tajol also said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who is also Home Minister had directed the police to enhance Information Technology (IT) knowledge of members of the force in line with advancement made in computer technology.

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