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KIT SIANG CALLS FOR CLEAN ELECTION CODE AMONG PARTIES

KUALA LUMPUR, June 8 (Bernama) -- Opposition leader Lim Kit Siang has called on political parties to draw up what he calls a "Free, Fair and Clean Election Code" to ensure that the next general election will not be the dirtiest in history.

All parties, whether ruling or opposition, should make a commitment to ensure that the next election will not be the dirtiest in history by drawing up such a code, said Lim, who is DAP secretary-general, in a statement issued here today.

The election code should be supervised by a commission comprising eminent Malaysians who should have the power and responsibility to publicly admonish political parties which violate the code, he said in response to remarks by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday that the next general election would be the dirtiest in history.

The prime minister had said that the election would be dirtier as the opposition would use all kinds of threats and instigation aided by foreign manipulation and the foreign media.

He said the opposition had sanctioned words that were vulgar, crude, dirty, distasteful and obscene.

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