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SABAH: QUOTABLE QUOTES IN THE RUN-UP TO ELECTION

KOTA KINABALU, Feb 23 (Bernama) -- Following are more quotable quotes by politicians in the run-up to the March 12-13 state election.

++ "I am not supporting Harris (Bersekutu acting president Datuk Harris Salleh). I don't think he is someone Barisan can accept." -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at a news conference at the end of his visit to Sabah on Saturday.

++ "This PBS has no interest in developing Sabah. They just want to take revenge...they are in politics just to take revenge." -- Dr Mahathir at the same news conference.

++ "Through this power sharing policy, the BN leadership has strived for a state administration that that is transparent, effective, open, democratic, just and based on the rule of law." -- Chief Minister Tan Sri Bernard Dompok in responding to criticisms from the opposition on the chief ministership rotation.

++ "We will abolish the chief minister rotation system if we are given the chance to form the next state government." -- PBS president Datuk Joseph Pairin Kitingan at several political gatherings.

++ "(Datuk Joseph) Kurup has no power to bestow the title 'Son of Keningau' on Dr Mahathir." -- Datuk Jeffry Kitingan, former PBS Bingkor state assemblyman, referring to the bestowment of the title in conjunction with Dr Mahathir's recent visit to Keningau.

++ "It is very simple....just ask your voters whether they prefer rotation of chief ministers? Whether they would like to continue taking orders from Kuala Lumpur? Whether they wish to reject the yearly RM300 Sabah Foundation dividend? Whether they wish to own property worth not less than RM24,000 by becoming co-owner of the Sabah Foundation concession area?" -- Bersekutu acting president Datuk Harris Salleh when briefing the party's Ranau and Kundasang election machinery.

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