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SHAHIDAN REGRETS OPPOSITION'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS M'SIA-CHINA TIES

KANGAR, Aug 25 (Bernama) -- Perlis Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim has expressed regret that opposition parties were casting aspersions on Malaysia-China ties which have been strengthened by Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Shahidan said he had received reports that opposition parties claimed at their ceramah that the government was preserving the ties because it wanted to bring in people from China to help the Barisan Nasional win the next general election.

Such allegations not only amounted to sheer lies but could also jeopardise Malaysia's good relations with China, he said here today.

"They should not damage the good ties or run down another country which is on good terms with our country," he said.

The Prime Minister gave a boost to Malaysia-China ties which were established in 1974 when he visited China recently.

Earlier, when speaking to more than 500 school supervisors at Dewan Residensi here, he hoped that they would play the role of "mini ambassadors" of the government at the school level.

Students should be instilled with discipline and a strong sense of responsibility so that they would not be made use of by groups with political interests, he said.

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