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Abdullah lauds PM's stop-campaigning call

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon - The stop-campaigning call by Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for contenders in the party's May elections was today lauded by Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Abdullah, who is Umno vice-president, said the advice was good and there was no need to campaign as members already knew the contenders.

"Maybe members have ascertained who they will vote for at the general assembly," he said after opening "The Software Policy Summit 2000" meeting here.

Asked about the Gua Musang division not having made any nomination for the party's elections and if this was against party regulations, Abdullah said he would have to study the party's constitution on the matter.

Delegates to the Gua Musang divisional meeting two weeks ago chose to leave the nominations to the divisional committee.

The committee has not announced its choice.

Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah heads the division and needs one more nomination to qualify as a vice-president candidate.

Abdullah, however, said the directive by party's supreme council was clear in that nominations must be made at divisional annual delegate meetings and that all posts must have nominees.

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