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ABIDE BY UMNO PRESIDENT'S ADVICE, SAYS RAIS

PUTRAJAYA, Jan 5 (Bernama) -- Umno members contesting the vice president posts and Supreme Council seats in the party's election this year should abide by the party president's advice, said Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Rais Yatim.

He said the advice given by Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday for ethics to be observed, to maintain discipline and to avoid using money to woo support in the party election at its general assembly from May 11-13 should be taken as a directive.

"If implemented, it would bring positive results in the Umno leadership election system," he said after a meeting with Bar Council president R R Chelvarajah at the Prime Minister's Department here today.

Rais said he himself, pledges to follow the advice.

Rais is among party stalwarts who have announced their readiness to contest for the vice president's post in the party election.

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