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Hishammuddin gets approval to debate with Pas

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has consented to Umno Youth chief Datuk Hishammuddin Hussein holding a one-on-one debate on Malay rights with his Pas counterpart Mahfuz Omar.

Hishammuddin, disclosing this today, said Dr Mahathir who is the Prime Minister, had already given his approval.

He added therefore, the debate would take place.

"I have no problem facing him (Mahfuz) and I will not back out as there is no reason to do so. The debate will go on," he said.

Hishammuddin, who is also Youth and Sports Minister said this when asked to comment on views by certain quarters that he would eventually back out (from holding the debate).

He also said that the debate would take place before the fasting month in November.

"I have already asked Umno Youth assistant secretary Zulkifli Alwi to discuss the time, date and venue for the debate with Pas Youth."

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