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MAHATHIR CHAIRS UMNO MT MEETING

KUALA LUMPUR, July 21 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is chairing the Umno Supreme Council (MT) meeting at the party's headquarters, Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here.

It is a normal MT meeting and there is no special agenda, said Umno executive secretary Datuk Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor.

However, the meeting is expected to discuss issues such as the deviationist group Al-Ma'unah and the opposition's allegation that the arms heist and hostage-taking by the group in the Sauk's incident in Perak was staged by Umno.

Tonight's MT meeting might also discuss suggestions that the posts of deputy president and vice-president be abolished.

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