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NATIONAL CENSUS ON SCHEDULE INSPITE OF MINOR INCIDENTS

KUALA LUMPUR, July 14 (Bernama) -- The National Population and Housing Census 2000 is progressing on schedule inspite of several minor incidents reported, said Minister in the Prime Department's Tan Sri Bernard Dompok.

"The census is going according to schedule although several incidents were reported in the press. I don't think they will have adverse effect on the census," he said in a statement issued here today.

He urged the the people to give full cooperation to the enumerators for the sake of national interest.

"If they have doubts as to the identities of enumerators, they should check with the nearest Census office," he said.

In one incident, an enumerator was assaulted by a man who thought he was having an affair with his wife.

Dombok said it was vital that the people give their full cooperation to the enumerators in collecting the information needed on population and housing.

In another development, Dompok who is United Pasok Momogun Kadazandusun Organisation (UPKO) President said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad would open the sixth UPKO congress on July 27.

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