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Panel to improve co-ordination

THE Cabinet Committee on Illegal Immigrants set up by the Cabinet, will ensure better co-ordination among ministries and agencies.

The committee is chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, who is also the Home Minister.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Tan Sri Bernard Dompok said the setting up of the committee reflected the Government's seriousness in solving problems caused by immigrants.

"The Cabinet felt more things could be done to address the problem. That's why the committee was established," he said at the Parliament lobby.

In a recent meeting between Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and President Abdurrahman Wahid, Malaysia and Indonesia agreed to co-operate in sending home immigrants.

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