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PERLIS UMNO TO NOMINATE MAHATHIR AND ABDULLAH

KANGAR, Feb 29 (Bernama) -- Perlis Umno has decided to nominate Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for the party presidency and Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi for the deputy presidency.

Menteri Besar and state Umno chief Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim said the three Umno divisions in the state accepted the Umno Supreme Council's stand that there be no contest for the top two posts in the May party elections.

"Umno does not set aside democratic practices in leadership elections but if such practice could lead to disunity then it is no longer suitable," he told reporters.

Shahidan said nominations for the three vice-president posts depended on the decisions of the three divisions -- Arau, Padang Besar and Kangar.

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