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TWO POLICE REPORTS LODGED AGAINST EZAM FOR ALLEGED STATEMENT

ALOR SETAR, Oct 28 (Bernama) -- Two police reports have been lodged against Parti Keadilan Nasional Youth chief Ezam Mohd Noor over his alleged statement admitting involvement in a movement to discredit Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad overseas.

Kedah CID chief ACP Abdul Jalal Mohamed Yunus said the reports were made at different places but both urged the police to investigate the statement allegedly made by Ezam.

He said one report was made at the Kota Setar district police headquarters yesterday by a man who said he is an Umno branch head in the Kuala Kedah Umno Division in Kedah.

Another man who identified himself as a member of the Changkat Beruas Umno branch in Perak lodged a similar report at the Dang Wangi district police headquarters in Kuala Lumpur earlier the same day, he said when contacted today.

"Following the reports, we have opened investigation papers and will call up the relevant witnesses," he said.

The Utusan Malaysia daily reported on Wednesday that Ezam had admitted to being involved in a movement to smear the name of Dr Mahathir in the United States and Europe.

Ezam reportedly made the admission when speaking at a gathering organised by PAS and Keadilan in Batu Tiga, Tandop, near here, last Monday night.

Last Thursday, the Singapore Straits Times reported that supporters of former deputy prime minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim had engaged a consultant firm in the United States to help plan strategies to apply economic pressure on Malaysia.

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