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Umno supreme council to review party constitution

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. - The Umno supreme council, which will meet on Monday, is expected to discuss among others, proposed changes to the party's constitution.

Umno secretary-general Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob said today the meeting, to be held in Kuala Lumpur, might also touch on preparations for the party's special assembly in November.

Khalil said the special assembly is aimed at reviewing and amending the party constitution.

"We will also discuss the reports submitted by the State liaison committee chiefs."

He said party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who will chair the meeting, is also expected to brief the members on the outcome of his recent working visit to Mozambique, London and the United States.

Khalil, who is also the Information Minister was speaking to reporters after launching the National Language and Literary Month 2000, at the Putra World Trade Centre here.

Umno vice-president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin had said the proposed amendments would be scrutinised by the committee.

He had said that those considered viable would be recommended to the supreme council.

Muhyiddin, who is also the constitutional amendment committee chairman, said the proposals include the abolition of the percentage ruling requiring candidates for party post to obtain a certain number of nominations before being eligible to contest.

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