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DR M CHAIRS UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL FIRST MEETING FOR 2001

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 12 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today chaired the first meeting of the party's Supreme Council for the year at the Umno headquarters here.

The meeting, which began at about 3.30pm, was expected to deliberate on the proposed Malay unity talks between Umno and PAS.

PAS has agreed to join the talks initiated by Dr Mahathir while Parti Keadilan Nasional (Keadilan), turned down the invitation, claiming it was not a Malay-based party.

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