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MAF to submit memo to PM on various issues

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - The Malay Action Front will submit a memorandum to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on education and the economy as a follow-up to the controversial gathering of Malay leaders held on Feb 4.

MAF chief co-ordinator Datuk Ibrahim Ali said he would write to Dr Mahathir next Monday to fix an appointment to present the 40-page memorandum to the Prime Minister.

Ibrahim added that the Malay Interests Memorandum Committee (Jawatankuasa Memorandum Kepentingan Melayu) had just completed drawing up the memorandum. The committee, headed by former Deputy Prime Minister Tun Ghafar Baba, was formed to draft a memorandum on the views of participants at the gathering.

Others in the 20-member committee, which met every Wednesday for the past 3 1/2 months, include Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, former Umno Youth head Datuk Suhaimi Kamarudin and former Foreign Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie.

Ghafar presented the memorandum to Ibrahim in a ceremony held at Suhaimi's residence today.

Ibrahim said the main aspects of the memorandum were the importance of education for the Malays and the need to achieve a more equitable distribution of wealth among the community.

"The memorandum also draws attention to the implementation and enforcement of policies."

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