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POLICE TO PROBE REPORT ON ALLEGED PLOT TO KILL PM AND DPM

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 25 (Bernama) -- Police will investigate a newspaper report about an alleged plot to assassinate Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his deputy Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Deputy Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Jamil Johari said police had yet to determine the veracity of the front-page report in The Sun newspaper today.

"Since the newspaper has carried such a report, we will ask it to cooperate with us.

"We will investigate because it is serious news which can cause fear among many parties. So, we will investigate," he told reporters here.

Quoting unnamed sources, the report said police had uncovered a plot by a number of local politicians to kill the two leaders using a hired hitman.

Asked on security for Dr Mahathir and Abdullah which was said to have been beefed up recently, Jamil said security arrangements for the country's top leaders had always been tight.

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