

Foreign investors confident with transition plan, says Najib

ALOR STAR: Foreign investors are confident and comfortable with the national leadership transition plan contrary to PAS' claim, Defence Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said.

He said the plan was better than sudden changes or surprises, which could result in speculations that could affect the economy adversely.

"There is only one prime minister at any one time. At this moment, it is Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and after he steps down, it will be Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi," he told reporters

after visiting the Chinese voters in Anak Bukit yesterday.

He was commenting on a claim by Kuala Kedah MP Mohamad Sabu during a *ceramah* on Wednesday that foreigners feared investing in the country because "there are two prime ministers."

Najib, who is Umno vice-president, said PAS made the statement for the sake of criticising the Barisan Nasional government and its leaders.

In Pendang, Umno vice-president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said PAS' penchant for using abusive words against the country's leaders, espe-

cially Dr Mahathir, would backfire in the by-elections.

He said based on feedback, many fence-sitters in the two constituencies were beginning to swing towards Barisan.

"As Muslims, they know that using abusive words against another person is sinful. The voters may have forgotten about that but when we remind them they are quick to realise the truth in that.

"That is why we tell our people to always observe decorum during campaigning and to stick to only matters that are relevant like development," he said yesterday.