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UMNO HAS RIGHT TO TAKE ACTION AGAINST NIK AZIZ, SAYS DR MAHATHIR

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 30 (Bernama) -- Umno feels that it has a right to take action against PAS spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat over his statement that God is a gangster.

The prime minister said that Nik Aziz had exceeded the bounds and his statement could no longer be said to be linked to politics because it had touched on the beliefs of a Muslim.

"If he does not repent, we feel that we have a right to take action against a person who insults Islam," he told reporters after chairing the Umno supreme council meeting, here.

Dr Mahathir, who is also Umno president, however, did not state the form of action to be taken.

A newspaper reported recently that Nik Aziz could be charged in court over his statement if a report was lodged against him.

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