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AN UMNO YOUTH VICE HEAD INVOLVED IN FSFM SURRENDERS

KUALA LUMPUR, July 31 (Bernama) -- An Umno Youth vice head surrendered at one of the district police stations here early this morning for being involved in the illegal organisation, Federal Special Forces of Malaysia (FSFM).

According to a police spokesman, he was believed to be the second most important member of the FSFM at the state level and wore the rank of "colonel".

He was detained after he had surrendered at about 1am.

However, the spokesman declined to comment further on the detention.

The spokesman also said that police raided a boutique selling FSFM uniforms in Selangor yesterday and seized about 60 pairs of uniforms of the clandestine organisation.

Selangor CID Chief SAC II Abu Bakar Mustaffa, when asked on the matter, also declined comment.

He is expected to hold a press conference on the latest development pertaining to the FSFM tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today said that there were a handful of Umno members who were involved in the FSFM.

He said those involved in the organisation had been duped by the promises made, and Umno was considering the form of action to be taken against party members involved in the FSFM.

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