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BN PARTIES HOPE MEETING WILL RESOLVE ROTATION ISSUE

KOTA KINABALU, Nov 25 (Bernama) -- The component parties of the Sabah Barisan Nasional (BN) are hoping that the State BN meeting to be held here soon would be able to resolve once and for all the rotation system of the State Chief Minister's post.

They feel that the meeting, to be held in the wake of calls for the system to be reviewed or abolished, was the best forum for component parties to discuss and find a solution to the issue.

Parti Bersatu Sabah (PBS) President Datuk Joseph Pairin Kitingan said the party believes that the meeting would be able to come up with a decision that would benefit the State and its people.

"As far as the PBS is concerned, the party is against the system but we also need to listen to the views of the other component parties," he said at the open house by Chief Minister Datuk Seri Musa Aman at Dewan Maksak here.

The unique system, mooted by former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, has been practiced in Sabah since the BN formed the State Government in March 1994.

It was to give opportunities to the leaders of the three major communities in Sabah -- the Muslim Bumiputeras, non-Muslim Bumiputeras and the Chinese -- to lead the State on a two-year rotational basis.

Parti Bersatu Rakyat Sabah (PBRS) President Tan Sri Joseph Kurup said that because the issue of reviewing the system had resurfaced, it was now an opportune time to formally discuss the issue at the State BN level.

He said that PBRS would make its view known at the meeting and would abide by any decision taken.

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