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CHANGES IN SABAH UMNO ONLY WHEN NECESSARY, SAYS MUSA

KOTA KINABALU, Jan 24 (Bernama) -- Sabah Umno chief Datuk Musa Aman said today he is satisfied with the performance of the party's Members of Parliament and state assemblymen in the state and the prospect of bringing in new faces will depend on the situation and requirement.

"Just like in other states, we will make changes if it is necessary, it depends on the situation," he told reporters after receiving a cheque for a dividend payment of RM2.01 million to the state government from Warisan Harta Sabah Sdn Bhd, a state-owned subsidiary.

Musa said Umno needs elected representatives who are dedicated and willing to serve the people.

"If they offered good services to the masses, I feel they should not be replaced.

"So far, I'm happy the assemblymen and MPs in Sabah are working hard and they go down to the ground to meet the people and their constituents," said Musa, who is also State Finance Minister.

Since his appointment as the Sabah Umno chief, Musa said, he had from the start asked state assemblymen and MPs to meet the people at the grassroots and settle their problems as soon as possible.

Asked whether any of the Umno leaders had expressed their wish to retire, he said there was none so far.

Last week, Prime Minister and Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced a reshuffle in the Kelantan Umno, which saw the appointment of new faces to key posts in the State Umno line-up, replacing old guards like Datuk Annuar Musa.

Among the newcomers are Kota Baharu Umno division head Zaid Ibrahim, who was named Kelantan Umno deputy chief, succeeding Annuar, while Bank Negara former assistant governor Datuk Dr Awang Adek Hussin was appointed treasurer.

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