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PAS TO COMPLAIN ABOUT EC TO CONFERENCE OF MALAY RULERS

KUALA TERENGGANU, Sept 17 (Bernama) -- The Pan-Malaysian Islamic Party (PAS) will complain to the Conference of Malay Rulers about what it sees as unfairness on the part of the Election Commission (EC), party president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang said today.

"We will even bring up this matter at the international level. We want the election process as well as the EC to be monitored by an independent body," he told reporters at his office here.

Abdul Hadi, who is Terengganu Menteri Besar, said he was not angry with the EC but was unhappy with the Barisan Nasional (Malaysian ruling coalition led by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) which he claimed was forcing the commission to side with it.

Asked to comment on the move to allow public rallies during the next General Election, he said it showed that democracy was flourishing in Malaysia.

It would provide Malaysians the opportunity to evaluate the issues raised by political parties, he said.

On reshuffle of the PAS leadership following last week's party polls, Hadi said the "Dewan Harian PAS" would hold a meeting soon at which he would seek the views of all concerned before making new appointments such as for the posts of secretary-general, information chief and treasurer.

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