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SHAHIDAN RECEIVES POLITICAL THREATS

KANGAR, July 18 (Bernama) -- Groups with political interests in Perlis have issued threats to Perlis Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Shahidan Kassim that he should "watch out" after the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad leaves office in October.

"In a very distasteful manner, (they) have warned me to "watch out" after October. I would like to tell them that after October nothing will happen except the general election," he told reporters at his office.

The parties concerned were actually eyeing for political posts in Perlis but were using the change of leadership issue in October as a platform to advance their interests, Shahidan said.

Shahidan, who is also Perlis Umno Chief, is disappointed that Prime Minister's successor, Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi's name was being used by the group to associate his future position as Perlis Menteri Besar.

The group was using the Deputy Prime Minister's name to gain political mileage, he said.

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