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UMNO: STILL NOT TOO LATE FOR RAFIDAH TO MEET DR MAHATHIR, SAYS RAIS

KUALA LUMPUR, July 21 (Bernama) -- Umno Supreme Council member Datuk Seri Dr Rais Yatim said today it was still not too late for Wanita Umno chief Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz to meet former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad to clear the air over the issue of Approved Permits (APs) to import cars.

The Culture, Arts and Heritage Minister said Rafidah, who is Minister of International Trade and Industry, should have sent the clarification letter regarding the issue to Dr Mahathir in person.

Rais said he had suggested to Rafidah to bring the letter in person at several Cabinet meetings.

"But it appears that she did not have the time or chose not to meet Dr Mahathir," he told Bernama during a break in the Umno General Assembly at the Putra World Trade Centre here today.

"If there had been a wrong step taken, we should admit we made a mistake and meet the person who is more knowledgeable and who has done much for us," he said.

Meanwhile, Selangor Umno Youth head Abdul Shukur Idrus joined several others in asking Rafidah to apologise to Dr Mahathir, saying she should not be ashamed of doing so as it would be like a daughter apologising to her father.

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