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Cabinet reshuffle next month

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has indicated that there will be a Cabinet reshuffle next month when he returns from an overseas trip.

Dr Mahathir leaves tomorrow for Evian, France, to attend the Broader Informal Dialogue of the G8 Summit on Sunday before proceeding to Tokyo for a working visit from Monday. He will return on June 6.

On whether the Cabinet reshuffle would only affect MCA leaders, he said: "Maybe, but I don't dare say much as I haven't thought about it yet.

"So I will find people who can serve. I don't change my Cabinet that often because I've confidence (in them), not like other countries who always reshuffle."

Asked whether he would discuss the reshuffle with Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, he said: "I am not someone who makes decisions without consulting as many people as possible but it is not necessarily so that I will follow their views ...but I will ask people."