

Pejuang's Dr M to have audience with Agong on Thursday

Malaysiakini

08 June 2021

Bernama

Parti Pejuang Tanah Air (Pejuang) today confirmed that its pro-tem chairperson Dr Mahathir Mohamad will have an audience with the Yang di-Pertuan Agong at Istana Negara on Thursday.

There have been reports of late that the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah will be meeting the leaders of all political parties over what is speculated to be the emergency or the convening of Parliament.

“The official letter from the palace was received last week. However, the time for the audience has yet to be ascertained,” Pejuang Information chief Ulya Aqamah Husamudin told Bernama when contacted.

Bersatu Information chief Wan Saiful Wan Jan and MCA secretary-general Chong Sin Woon, when asked the same question, said they had no information on the matter, while Gerakan president Dominic Lau and MIC president SA Vigneswaran

said they had not received any invitation from Istana Negara.

Umno deputy president Mohamad Hasan, on the other hand, said he was not sure whether his party had received such an invitation.

“I heard so. But I have not been to the office... I’m not so sure whether Umno has received such a letter or not,” he said.

On a different note, PKR secretary-general Saifuddin Nasution Ismail told Bernama to refer the matter to Khairuddin Abu Hassan, who is a member of a committee looking to end the emergency declaration.

“Refer to Khairuddin... he might have more information than us,” he said.

On Feb 9, the Prime Minister’s Office announced the appointment of 19 members of the Independent Special Committee on Emergency 2021 chaired by former chief justice Arifin Zakaria.

Other members include former chief secretary to the government Samsudin Osman, former inspector-general of police Norian Mai, former chief of defence force Zulkifli Zainal Abidin, former health director-general Prof Dr Mohamad Taha Arif and former Sabah state secretary Sukarti Wakiman.

The committee was set up under Section 2 of the Emergency (Essential Powers) Ordinance 2021 and will advise the Yang di-Pertuan Agong on the ongoing emergency and when it should end.

The National Security Council and the Prime Minister's Department are secretariats for this committee.

- Bernama

Copyright © 1999-2012 Mkini Dotcom Sdn. Bhd

Source: <https://www.malaysiakini.com/news/578121>