

RCI Won't Solve Sabah's Immigrant Problem Says Hishammuddin
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KLUANG -- Home Minister Hishammuddin Tun Hussein yesterday rejected a suggestion for a Royal Commission of Inquiry into Sabah's immigrant problem.

He said that such a commission, as proposed by UPKO president Bernard Dompok, would not solve the problem.

"The Royal Commission will not bring us anywhere because we want a solution.

We want something that is practical, something that can be resolved, a balance between economic and security requirements," he told reporters here after a Chinese New Year gathering at Kahang.

Hishammuddin said that a laboratory had been set up under Deputy Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin to study the immigrant problem.

The laboratory had forwarded a proposal to the Sabah cabinet and was waiting for the response from state leaders. "If they find the proposal sound, then support it. If it is not good enough, then propose something else," he said.

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