

# Youth won't ask for more seats

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## Hisham: We have many elected representatives

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Umno Youth already has a large number of representatives in Parliament and the state assemblies, and will not ask for extra seats.

"It is not fair for us to seek a higher representation," movement chief Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein told reporters after chairing its executive council meeting here yesterday.

"The issue was not discussed at the meeting," he added.

Hishammuddin admitted there would be demands by various com-

ponent parties of the Barisan Nasional coalition for more seats.

He said, however, Umno Youth was aware of the leadership's respect for and recognition of the movement.

Hishammuddin added that he would not hesitate to recommend to the leadership to remove youth leaders who had failed to perform well in their constituencies.

"If there is reliable information that our representatives have failed to carry out their work, I will not hesitate to drop them with the approval of the party leadership."

On the issue of voter registration, he said they had to check first how many of the more than 692,000 members were eligible to vote and how many had registered.

Regarding the nation's 50th year of independence, Hishammuddin said the youth wing would join in the celebrations.

He said they would find a suitable date for Barisan chief Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi to address the Youth members of all the coalition's component parties.

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There was a small celebration on the sidelines of yesterday's meeting to mark the second anniversary of Umno Putera, the movement's

junior wing.

Putera Umno agreed to sponsor marathon cyclist Moqharabbin Mokhtaruddin, who plans to pedal round the world for a year beginning next month.