

**Parliamentary Committee Will Go Ahead Regardless, Says Nazri
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 24 (Bernama) -- The Parliamentary Select Committee will go ahead regardless of whether the opposition agrees or not on the allocation of members.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz said Wednesday the allotment was based on the number of seats that the parties concerned held in Parliament.

He said the allocation was very fair, with due consideration given to Independent Members of Parliament.

"How can the opposition have more seats (in the committee) than Barisan Nasional and the government. What kind of calculation are they using. From the point of view of total membership (that each side has) in parliament, it is not 50:50," Mohamed Nazri told reporters after breaking the fast with orphans and single mothers at Hentian Duta here.

He said the opposition seemed shocked that the government had agreed to have a select committee to study electoral issues raised by non-governmental organisations.

"They did not expect the government to agree to form the committee. Now they are looking for excuses to make a final decision that they do want the committee to be formed," Mohamed Nazri said.

He said that the committee had a long time to carry out its responsibilities since the term of the present Parliament ends on April 28 2013.

"But I believe that the committee can present a report for follow-up action within six months," Mohamed Nazri said.

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