

**Parliament: Put Aside Negative Thinking, Nurture Spirit Of Unity - Joseph Salang
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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 16 (Bernama) -- The Information, Communications and Culture Ministry today called on the people to put aside negative thoughts and work together to foster the spirit of unity and the 1Malaysia concept.

Its deputy minister Datuk Joseph Salang said to achieve this, it required cooperation of all Malaysians irrespective of whether they supported the government or opposition.

"We can agree or not agree on political matters, but in terms of nurturing national unity, we should together perform our duty as leaders and citizens of Malaysia," he said when replying to a question from Datuk Ismail Abd Muttalib (BN-Marang) at the Dewan Rakyat today.

Ismail had wanted to know on the needs of the 1Malaysia concept and efforts taken to nurture the spirit of unity and patriotism.

Salang said among the efforts taken were the publications on the history of Malaysia, the constitution and philosophy books, 1Malaysia speech competition, 1Malaysia open house programmes as well lectures and exhibitions on Malaysia's independence.

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