

**EC Cannot Drop Names Of 13,000 doubtful Voters In Sabah, Says Abdul Aziz
Bernama
March 13, 2012**

KOTA KINABALU, March 13 (Bernama) -- The Election Commission (EC) has detected the names of 13,000 people in Sabah whose status as electors is doubtful but could not drop them from the electoral roll as this is against the law, the Election Commission (EC) said.

Its chairman Tan Sri Abdul Aziz Mohd Yusof said that under the law, the EC is not allowed to drop the names of voters except on strong grounds.

He said that so far no one, including the next of kin, had come forward to assist in confirming the status of these voters.

"Even though we have displayed (the list of doubtful names) and sent the compact discs to political parties, we are still unable to trace them, most of whom are elderly citizens.

"In a situation like this, we depend on the National Registration Department and the electoral roll review by Mimos Berhad, as suggested by the Parliamentary Select Committee on Electoral Reforms, to clean up the list," he told reporters here after opening a briefing for returning officers and their deputies as part of the preparations for the 13th general election.

---BERNAMA

Copyright © 2012 BERNAMA

Source: <http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v6/newsindex.php?id=651967>