

**Don't Misuse Democratic Rights - Dr Mahathir
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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 26 (Bernama) -- Democratic rights should not be misused to topple a democratically-elected government, said former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Dr Mahathir said some dissatisfied parties which lost in an election would often cite democratic rights as they attempted to bring down the government which had been voted into power.

"They disrupt the whole country, they take it to the street with demonstrations and complain that the government cheated in the election, therefore we should have another election and bring down the elected government," he said.

This could lead to violence, strikes and killings, he said during a luncheon that he hosted for delegates attending the Umno International Forum themed 'Conflict and Conciliation in the People's Politics - Looking back or Looking Forward?', here Monday.

Opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak this morning, the two-day forum is being held in conjunction with the Umno General Assembly 2012 which kicks off Tuesday.

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