

**BN Support To Continue Once SUPP Resolves Internal Issues - Taib
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KUCHING, Aug 8 (Bernama) -- Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud is confident Sarawakians, including the Chinese community, will continue to have a stronger sense of unity which saw them voting for the Barisan Nasional (BN) in the 13th General Election, once internal disputes within the Sarawak United People's Party (SUPP) is resolved.

Abdul Taib, who is also state BN chairman, said the BN's success in winning all the Bumiputera parliamentary seats in the state had given the government the strength to bring further unity and progress to the state, and inspired the leadership.

"I call on all Sarawakians, irrespective of racial or religious background, to come together this Hari Raya because enhanced ties and better understanding among them will further improve development in the state," he told reporters at his Hari Raya open house here Thursday.

Following SUPP's current internal rift, the Registrar of Societies (ROS) had issued show-case letters to two party branches, Piasau and Bekenu, but cleared 12 others for alleged irregularities during the triennial delegates conference in December 2011.

SUPP president Tan Sri Peter Chin had said disciplinary action, including expulsion, would be taken against certain personalities allegedly involved in sabotaging the party during the recent general election, that caused a certain loss of votes and contributed to SUPP's defeat.

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