

## **EC To Lodge Report Against Those Violating Election Rules**

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GEORGE TOWN, May 12 (Bernama) -- The Election Commission (EC) will lodge a police report against party supporters who had brought drums and loudhailers during the nomination of the Bukit Gelugor parliamentary by-election at Dewan Sri Pinang here.

Its chairman, Tan Sri Abdul Aziz Mohd Yusof said although the nomination process went smoothly, the actions violated the Election Offences Act.

"We will make a police report on the incident so that an investigation will be conducted and action can be taken by the Attorney-General," he told reporters after the nomination.

The tussle for Bukit Gelugor on May 25 is a four-cornered fight between DAP's Ramkarpal Singh Deo and three others - Parti Cinta Malaysia's (PCM) Datuk Huan Cheng Guan and two Independents, Mohamed Nabi Bux Mohd Nabi Abdul Sathar and Abu Backer Sidek Mohamad Zan. The MCA stays out of the race.

Abdul Aziz said the candidates should abide by the election rules during the nomination and campaigning.

Penang police chief Datuk Abdul Rahim Hanafi assured the public of the security and public order during the nomination, campaigning and polling as enough policemen were stationed on the ground.

"During the nomination process today, our policemen were deployed at all important locations and there were no untoward incidents reported," he said.

Abdul Rahim advised parties intending to hold 'ceramah' to apply for permits to ensure security and smooth running of the campaign as well as observe the election rules to avoid untoward incidents.

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