

Ombudsman M'sia being mulled

KUALA LUMPUR: The government is considering creating a unique model of Ombudsman Malaysia that combines the Public Complaints Bureau and the Enforcement Agency Integrity Commission (EAIC), the Dewan Rakyat was told yesterday.

Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Law and Institutional Reform) M. Kulasegaran said the government is committed to establishing Ombudsman Malaysia as an independent body to receive and address complaints related to the federal public service delivery system, Bernama reported.

He said the proposal to establish Ombudsman Malaysia was presented at the Law and Institutional Reform Agenda Implementation Committee Meeting on April 29, when it was decided that a holistic engagement session would be held for three months to determine the mechanism for its establishment.

"This decision was agreed upon in the Cabinet meeting on June 12," he said in reply to a question from Ahmad Tarmizi Sulaiman (PN-Sik), on plans for the Malaysian Ombudsman Act.