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## Introduction

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AS citizens of Malaysia, we are responsible in shaping our opinions that can contribute towards establishing a peaceful and tranquil political environment far from any confusion. Although our contribution is not an absolute solution, it is a path we could adopt to enable other developments within the ambit of our lives as Malaysian citizens to flow and function as usual.

When we are capable of understanding and perceiving the political situation from a rational and objective perspective, without being involved or influenced by our emotion or thought, we could alienate political problems closely linked to problems of economic growth and political problems closely linked to the politicking in the society.

Mahathir began his leadership era by introducing new policies, one after another, which he considered instrumental to developing the nation, society and country. In his ardour to announce and implement the policies, we find that there were times the implementation of the policies created controversial situations with regard to their acceptance by the people.

In addition, he was confronted with intense rivalry from two prominent and influential figures in UMNO. Indubitably, Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah and Datuk Musa Hitam had contributed towards achievements in the Mahathir era. At the same time, they too conducted towards the problems and confusion encompassing the Mahathir leadership in the days ahead. Therefore, it is hoped this book could provide an elucidation to readers especially in perceiving the political situation prevalent in Malaysia today.

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And the head is held high  
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