

AT THE FOREFRONT OF NATION BUILDING

**PERSPECTIVES FROM THE
ADMINISTRATIVE AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE**

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For generations, Officers in the Perkhidmatan Tadbir dan Diplomatik (PTD) (Administrative and Diplomatic Service) have worked quietly and anonymously behind the scenes recommending, formulating and implementing the policies that shaped the country. Holding true to the ethos that their role involved neither being seen nor heard, many are speaking out for the first time, sharing their views on what it was like to be there when key decisions were made and how they were implemented.



Commissioned by the PTD Alumni in conjunction with its 25th Anniversary and based on extensive in-depth interviews with Officers who served from the 1940s to present day, *At The Forefront Of Nation Building* offers a rare glimpse into the offices and meeting rooms where decisions are made and implemented.

For anyone who has ever wondered about what really goes on behind the closed doors of Government, *At The Forefront Of Nation Building* provides a fascinating insight into the backgrounds and thoughts of some of the men and women who rose to hold the highest positions in administration, their relationships with their political leaders, and their thoughts about the state of the nation.

This book is a must read for anyone interested in Malaysia's history, its development and the future and role of the PTD in taking Malaysia to the next level.