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KUALA LUMPUR, NOV 14<sup>20</sup> (BERNAMA) — THE MCA YOUTH IS +QUITE SATISFIED+ WITH THE OUTCOME OF ITS FOUR-HOUR DIALOGUE SESSION WITH DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD YESTERDAY ON PROBLEMS FACED BY THE CHINESE COMMUNITY IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD.

MCA YOUTH LEADER DATUK LEE KIM SAI, WHO LED A 40-MEMBER TEAM TO THE MEETING, TOLD NEWSMEN THAT THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER HAD GIVEN THE ASSURANCE THAT HE WOULD +PERSONALLY+ HELP IN OVERCOMING THE PROBLEMS.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR, WHO IS ALSO THE MINISTER OF TRADE, AND INDUSTRY, ALSO TOLD THE DELEGATION THAT THE MCA YOUTH'S SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN A MEMORANDUM WOULD BE CONSIDERED.

THE MEETING WAS THE THIRD IN A SERIES INITIATED BY THE MCA YOUTH SO FAR. THE FIRST WAS WITH PRIME MINISTER DATUK HUSSEIN ONN IN MAY AND THE SECOND WITH EDUCATION MINISTER DATUK MUSA HITAM IN JUNE.

THE MCA YOUTH WILL NEXT INITIATE A DIALOGUE SESSION WITH HOME AFFAIRS MINISTER TAN SRI GHAZALI SHAFEI. — BERNAMA MORE 1737/A1

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ACCORDING TO DATUK LEE, THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT IT WAS NEITHER THE GOVERNMENT'S NOR UMNO'S POLICY TO FIX THE BUMIPUTRA EQUITY PARTICIPATION AT 51 PER CENT INSTEAD OF THE 30 PER CENT TARGETTED UNDER THE NEW ECONOMIC POLICY.

HE QUOTED DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR AS SAYING THAT THE 51 PER CENT EQUITY PARTICIPATION THAT THE THIRD BUMIPUTRA ECONOMIC CONGRESS CALLED FOR WOULD REMAIN ONLY A RESOLUTION OF THE CONGRESS.

ON WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE TO EXTEND +ASSISTANCE AND PRIVILEGES+ TO BUMIPUTRA AFTER 1990, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR WAS REPORTED TO HAVE SAID THAT THE MATTER WOULD BE CONSIDERED WHEN THE TIME CAME.

ON ALLEGATIONS THAT STATUTORY BODIES SUCH AS PERNAS, MARA, UDA, FELDA AND THE MIDF WERE GEARED SOLELY TO ASSIST BUMIPUTRAS, DATUK LEE SAID DATUK SERI MAHATHIR CLARIFIED THAT ONLY MARA AND THE UNIT TRUST FUND WERE SOLELY FOR BUMIPUTRAS. — BERNAMA MORE 1741/A1

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HOWEVER, EVEN IN THE CASE OF MARA AND THE UNIT TRUST FUND, THE NON-BUMIPUTRAS ALSO ENJOYED THE BENEFITS INDIRECTLY. FURTHER, THE FIVE PER CENT OF NON-BUMIPUTRA EMPLOYEES IN THE UNIT TRUST FUND WERE ENTITLED TO BUY SOME OF THE SHARES.

THE OTHER AGENCIES WERE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL THE RACES. FOR EXAMPLE, THE MIDF BENEFITTED ABOUT 80 PER CENT OF THE NON-BUMIPUTRA BUSINESSMEN.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR ALSO CLARIFIED THAT CORPORATIONS LIKE PETRONAS, THE MISC AND MAS WERE STATE-OWNED, AND DID NOT BELONG TO ANY PARTICULAR COMMUNITY.

ON THE MCA YOUTH'S CALL FOR MORE INTAKES OF NON-BUMIPUTRAS INTO THE PUBLIC SECTOR, THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE PUBLIC SECTOR WOULD DO SO ONLY WHEN THE PRIVATE SECTOR ABSORBED MORE BUMIPUTRAS. — BERNAMA 1744/A1