

MAHATHIR

81 (P)
KUALA LUMPUR, MAY 15 (BERNAMA) — DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD TOLD THE PEOPLE TODAY TO BE WARY OF WOLVES IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING WHO HE SAID WERE PREPARED TO +SELL NATIONAL DIGNITY AND THE COUNTRY.+

SPEAKING AT A NATIONAL YOUTH DAY GATHERING HERE, HE SAID THESE PEOPLE WERE VERY DANGEROUS ESPECIALLY SINCE IT WAS DIFFICULT TO EXPOSE THEM AS ENEMIES BECAUSE OF THEIR GUILF.

THEY WERE AMONG THE THREE CATEGORIES OF ENEMIES THAT THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THE PEOPLE SHOULD ALWAYS BE ON GUARD AGAINST.

THE FIRST WAS THE ENEMY WITHIN THEMSELVES, THE SECOND THE +TWO-FACED+ WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING, AND THE THIRD THE ENEMY FROM WITHOUT WHOSE ILL-DESIGNS WERE ALL TOO CLEAR.

AS REGARDS THE FIRST CATEGORY, HE SAID A PERSON WAS HIS OWN ENEMY IF HE WERE LAZY, JEALOUS, SUSPICIOUS, ARROGANT, UNTRUST WORTHY AND NEVER SATISFIED. — BERNAMA MORE 1310/SZ

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A NATION WITH MANY PEOPLE POSSESSING SUCH CHARACTERISTICS WOULD EVENTUALLY BE LED DOWN THE PATH OF DESTRUCTION.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR SAID THAT SUCH CHARACTERISTICS WOULD BE ESPECIALLY HARMFUL IN A MULTI-RACIAL COUNTRY LIKE MALAYSIA BECAUSE THEY COULD BRING ABOUT CHAOS FROM WHICH THEY WOULD BE NO RECOVERY.

AS FOR THE WOLVES IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING, HE SAID THEY WERE +EVER READY+ TO SELL THE NATIONAL DIGNITY AND THE COUNTRY IF THEY WERE PRAISED OR GIVEN POSITIONS IN FOREIGNERS.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THE NATION HAD NO GREAT DIFFICULTY DEALING WITH ENEMIES IN THE THIRD CATEGORY WHO MADE THEIR INTENTIONS CLEAR BY THEIR ACTIONS.

MALAYSIA, HE SAID, HAD ENOUGH PREPARATION AND POSSESSED THE THE CAPACITY TO BUNT THEM.

— BERNAMA KL 1506/AZ

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HE REFERRED TO THE GROWTH OF VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS YOUTH AND WELFARE BODIES, AND SAID IT SHOWED THE PEOPLE'S READINESS TO PLAY THEIR ROLE IN NATION BUILDING.

HOWEVER, HE ADDED, THE GOVERNMENT HAD TO BE CAREFUL THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT WAS NOT EXPLOITED BY ENEMIES OF THE COUNTRY.

IN THIS CONNECTION, HE ALLUDED TO THE AMENDMENTS TO THE SOCIETIES ACT PASSED BY PARLIAMENT RECENTLY WHICH HE SAID WERE NOBLY MOTIVATED.

THEY WERE AIMED AT CHECKING IRRESPONSIBLE ELEMENTS FROM USING LOOPHOLES IN THE ORIGINAL ACT TO +LEGITIMISE+ EVIL ACTIONS.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR SAID PEOPLE NEED NOT FEAR SO LONG AS THEY ACT WITHIN THE LAW AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FEDERAL CONSTITUTION AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THEIR ORGANISATION AND IN LINE WITH THE RUKUNEGARA.

—BERNAMA 1509/AZ

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DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR NOTED THAT THE GATHERING COMPRISED THE VARIOUS RACES AND SAID IT SHOWED THAT THE YOUNGER PEOPLE HAD LEARNT THE VALUE OF UNITY.

HE BELIEVED THAT THEY HAD LEARNT THIS FROM +SWEET AND BITTER+ PAST EXPERIENCES.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT UNITY WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN THE CREATION OF A DISCIPLINED AND PEACEFUL SOCIETY.

EARLIER, THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS, DATUK MOKHTAR HASNIN, EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT MORE PEOPLE WOULD JOIN YOUTH ORGANISATIONS.

HE SAID THAT THERE WERE NOW 5.8 MILLION PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15 AND 40 WHO WERE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN YOUTH BODIES.

—BERNAMA MORE 1505/NM

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OF THIS, 1.2 MILLION WERE MEMBERS OF YOUTH BODIES AND TWO MILLION WERE IN INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING, SPORTS AND CULTURAL BODIES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS.

THE REST WERE NOT IN INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING OR ORGANISATIONS, AND IT WAS THE MINISTRY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO GET THEM ORGANISED, DATUK MOKHTAR ADDED.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR LATER PRESENTED THE "BELIA JAYA" AWARD FOR THIS YEAR TO THE PADANG LALANG 4B YOUTH BRANCH BASED IN PULAU LANGKAWI.

ALSO PRESENT WERE THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER'S WIFE, DATIN SERI DR. HASNAN, WELFARE SERVICES MINISTER DATIN PADUKA HAJJAH AISHAH GHANI, SEVERAL DEPUTY MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.—BERNAMA 1510/NM