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KUALA LUMPUR, JAN. 23 <sup>82</sup> (BERNAMA) -- PERKS CURRENTLY GRANTED TO MINISTERS, DEPUTY MINISTERS AND PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES WILL BE REDUCED CONSIDERABLY, (DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD) SAID TODAY. THE PERCENTAGE OF THE REDUCTION WOULD BE ANNOUNCED LATER, THE PRIME MINISTER TOLD REPORTERS THIS AFTER CHAIRING THE FIRST MEETING OF THE UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL FOR THIS YEAR AT THE UMNO HEADQUARTERS HERE.

ON THE MANDATORY DECLARATION OF ASSETS BY MINISTERS, THEIR DEPUTIES AND PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES DIRECT TO HIM, HE SAID ALMOST ALL HAD DONE SO.

"ONLY ONE OR TWO HAVE YET TO DECLARE THEIR ASSETS AS THEY HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THE DETAILS REQUIRED," HE SAID.

HE ADDED THAT THERE WAS NO DEADLINE FIXED FOR THEM TO SUBMIT THEIR FORMS AND HE EXPECTED THEM TO DO SO SOON. -- BERNAMA MORE 1619/LK

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THOSE FOUND AMASSING WEALTH THROUGH QUESTIONABLE SOURCES.

"THEY WILL BE REPORTED TO THE POLICE AND OTHER RELEVANT AUTHORITIES AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO ANSWER ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST THEM," HE SAID. -- BERNAMA 1621/LK