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KUALA LUMPUR, MARCH 26 (BERNAMA)-- (DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR)
TODAY REMINDED MEMBERS OF THE POLICE FORCE OF THEIR LEADERSHIP
IN TEACHING SOCIETY TO RESPECT THE LAW AND THE CONSTITUTION.
HE SAID THE ROLE REQUIRED THEM TO HAVE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF
NOT ONLY THEIR TASKS BUT ALSO OF OTHER MATTERS RELEVANT TO
THEIR WORK INCLUDING RELIGION SO AS TO BECOME EXEMPLARY GUARDIANS
OF THE LAW.

THEY SHOULD ALWAYS EXERCISE RESTRAINT AND REFRAIN FROM GIVING
WAY TO THEIR EMOTIONS OR ACTING OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THEIR AUTHO-
RISED POWERS IN ANY SITUATION, NO MATTER HOW TRYING.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THIS AT THE 176TH POLICE DAY CELEBRATIONS
AT THE POLICE TRAINING CENTRE HERE. EARLIER, HE TOOK THE SALUTE
INSPECTED A PARADE.

ALSO PRESENT WERE DATIN SERI DR. SITI HASMAH AND DEPUTY PRIM.
MINISTER AND HOME AFFAIRS MINISTER DATUK MUSA HITAM AND DATIN MARIA.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR LIKENED THE POLICE FORCE TO A MINI-
NATION WHICH REQUIRED EVERY INDIVIDUAL TO SEEK MATERIAL AND
SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT. -- MORE 1326/OM

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HE SAID THAT A CONSCIENTIOUS POLICE FORCE SHOULD SEEK TO STRIKE
A BALANCE BETWEEN MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL PROGRESS AND THAT THIS
BALANCE COULD BRING ABOUT EMERGENCE OF A PRINCIPLED AND HONOURABLE
NATIONAL AND COUNTRY.

MEMBERS OF THE FORCE WERE ENTRUSTED WITH THE TASK OF SHAPING
A SOCIETY FOUNDED ON THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE LAW THROUGH THEIR ROLE
OF LEADING BY EXAMPLE.

+PRESERVATION OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE LAW AND SANCTITY OF THE
CONSTITUTION REPRESENTS THE PRIMARY DUTY OF THE ROYAL MALAYSIA
POLICE,+ HE ADDED.

THIS WAS NECESSARY FOR MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND PUBLIC ORDER AND
SHOULD BE MADE THE MEANS FOR IMPRESSING UPON THE PEOPLE A RESPECT
FOR THE LAWS OF THE COUNTRY.

+A FOUNDATION AND CLIMATE OF PUBLIC ORDER AND PEACE WOULD ALLOW
EVERY CITIZEN TO ENJOY HIS RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION WITHOUT
FEAR OF INTERFERENCE AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO PROCEED A SYSTE-
MATIC AND ORDERLY BASIS.+

THE PRIME MINISTER, IN OUTLINING THE QUALITIES REQUIRED OF MEMB-
ERS OF THE POLICE FORCE, SAID THEY SHOULD HAVE THE CAPACITY FOR
HARD WORK, DEDICATION, SELF-CRITICISM AND COURTESY. -- MORE 1420/PA

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HE STRESSED ON THE NEED FOR THE POLICE FORCE TO UPGRADE ITS CAPABILITIES TO MEET CHANGING SITUATIONS AND CHALLENGES.

IN THIS RESPECT, KNOWLEDGE, EFFICIENCY AND SELF-DISCIPLINE WERE ESSENTIAL FOR THE MEMBERS TO ACT OBJECTIVELY AND EFFECTIVELY.

+THE REPUTATION OF ANY SERVICE IS NOT MADE BY THE VOLUME OF DIRECTIVES ISSUED OR/REGULATIONS LAID DOWN BUT BY THE VALUES, PERFORMANCE AND CONDUCT OF ITS PERSONNEL AT EVERY LEVEL AND IN EVERY DIVISION IN ACHIEVING THE SET OBJECTIVES,+ HE SAID.

DATUK SER DR. MAHATHIR TOLD THE POLICE FORCE TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO OVERCOME ITS PROBLEM IN CONNECTION WITH GETTING SUPPORT AND COOPERATION FROM THE PUBLIC.

MEMBERS OF THE FORCE SHOULD BE SENSITIVE TO PROBLEMS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICULARLY IN THEIR EFFORTS TO SAFEGUARD NATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY.

+ONLY IN THIS WAY CAN THE POLICE FORCE HOPE TO STRENGTHEN PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN ITS SERVICE,+ HE ADDED. -- MORE 1438/PA

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HE HOPED THE ROYAL MALAYSIA POLICE MAINTAINED A HIGH STANDARD OF DISCIPLINE IN ALL ITS RESPONSIBILITIES AND DAILY DUTIES.

A TOTAL OF 2,100 MEN AND 68 OFFICERS OF VARIOUS UNITS OF THE ROYAL MALAYSIA POLICE FORCE TOOK PART IN THE GRAND PARADE UNDER THE COMMAND OF ACTING SUPT. ISHAK ABDUL AZIZ.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR ACCOMPANIED BY DATUK MUSA AND INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE TAN SRI HANIFF OMAR, INSPECTED THE PARADE BY POLICE LAND ROVER.

TROOPING OF THE COLOURS AND A ROYAL MALAYSIA POLICE BAND PERFORMANCE WERE HELD EARLIER WITNESSED BY THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS HERE.

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IN ALUR SETAR, THE KEDAH-PERLIS POLICE CONTINGENT HELD A PARADE AT WHICH THE NATIONAL AND POLICE SONGS AND THE THEME SONG OF THE +LEADERSHIP BY EXAMPLE+ CAMPAIGN WERE SUNG.

DEPUTY CHIEF POLICE EFFICER FOR KEDAH-PERLIS, ENCIK NIUH SOON HOCK, READ OUT THE MESSAGE FROM THE IGP, TAN SRI HANIFF OMAR.

POLICE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS AND CIVILIAN STAFF IN THE FORCE TOOK PART IN THE PARADE AT THE CONTINGENT HEADQUARTERS IN JALAN STADIUM.

SIMILAR ACTIVITIES WERE HELD IN DISTRICT POLICE BASES IN THE TWO STATES.

IN PERLIS MEANWHILE, 34 MEMBERS OF THE POLICE FORCE, TWO CIVILIAN STAFF MEMBERS AND FIVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WERE PRESENTED WITH CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION BY THE OCPD, SUPT. KARIM LONG, AT THE AREA CONTROL UNIT CAMP AT MATA AIR NEAR KANGAR.

EARLIER, SUPT. KARIM INSPECTED A GUARD OF HONOUR MOUNTED BY 70 MEMBERS OF THE UNIT AND THE ANTI-SMUGGLING UNIT.

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