

Renewed Oath of allegiance to party

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today led his party in a renewed oath of allegiance, stressing obedience to party rules, at the close of its 36th annual general assembly.

The "Oath of September 29" placed the finishing touch to the president's central concern on the party agenda this year — Umno's fraying edges as it stretches into a vast organisation of more than one million people.

It put party solidarity and observation of rules foremost in a four-point pledge. We shall:

- remain loyal and devoted to Umno.
- uphold and obey the (party) con-

stitution and regulations.

- unite in strength and in brotherhood with each and every party member.

- fight for the party's policies and objectives for the honour and success of the Malay race, towards prosperity in religion and nation.

The oath took place in the packed Merdeka Hall, with the 1,400-plus delegates primed earlier for a special end to the three-day meeting.

After what many had considered a foregone conclusion, the debate to the amendments to the party constitution, the delegates sang with the Prime Minister the party and national anthems with the verve of worked-out people highly-charged to board the transports for home.