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HARARE, SEPT 4 (BERNAMA) -- THE SPEECH BY DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD WHEN HE ADDRESSED THE THIRD DAY OF THE EIGHTH NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) SUMMIT YESTERDAY WAS WELL RECEIVED.

THE PRIME MINISTER, WHO SPOKE FOR ABOUT HALF AN HOUR, HAD ANNOUNCED THE LAUNCHING OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION OF THE SOUTH AND CALLED FOR A COLLECTIVELY FINANCED PROGRAMME FOR ACTION TO ASSIST BLACK AFRICANS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA. *Top overseas*

HE HAD ALSO URGED VIETNAM TO RECONSIDER THE EIGHT-POINT PEACE PROPOSAL ON KAMPUCHEA IN THE INTEREST OF ENDING PEACEFULLY THE LONG DRAWN OUT VIETNAMESE OCCUPATION OF KAMPUCHEA.

A SENIOR MALAYSIAN OFFICIAL SAID IT WAS SIGNIFICANT THAT NAM CHAIRMAN ROBERT MUGABE, WHO IS THE PRIME MINISTER OF ZIMBABWE, MADE A CONGRATULATORY REMARK ON DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR'S INITIATIVE IN SETTING UP THE SOUTH-SOUTH COMMISSION.

THIS WAS MADE AT THE CONCLUSION OF HIS SPEECH. -- MORE  
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THE OFFICIAL SAID DELEGATION LEADERS HAD TOLD HIM THAT DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR'S SPEECH HAD A LOT OF SUBSTANCE AND CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS TO SOLVE ISSUES CONFRONTING THE THIRD WORLD.

THE PRIME MINISTER RECEIVED A GOOD APPLAUSE AND SEVERAL ASIAN AND AFRICAN LEADERS CONGRATULATED HIM WHEN HE LEFT THE BLUE-CARPETED CONFERENCE HALL.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR, DRESSED IN A THREE-PIECE GREY SUIT, WAS RELAXED WHEN HE TURNED UP AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE VENUE NEAR THE SHERATON HOTEL.

HIS MEETING WITH THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS CORPS WAS DELAYED BECAUSE OF A LONG SPEECH BY PRESIDENT SARMORA MARCHEL OF MOZAMBIQUE.

DURING THE NEXT TWO DAYS, HE WILL MEET SEVERAL LEADERS FOR BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS, INCLUDING THOSE OF ZIMBABWE, INDIA, YUGOSLAVIA, SAUDI ARABIA, NIGERIA, INDONESIA, TANZANIA, PERU, PAKISTAN, SRI LANKA AND EGYPT. -- MORE  
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IN THE EVENING YESTERDAY, HE MET HIS INDIAN COUNTERPART, ENCIK RAJIV GANDHI, AT THE VIP ROOM OF THE CONFERENCE CENTRE.

DETAILS OF THE DISCUSSION WERE NOT DISCLOSED.

THE INDIAN PREMIER WAS THE PREVIOUS NAM CHAIRMAN.

MEANWHILE, THE TOP CIRCULATION PAPER -- THE HERALD -- HAD TWO STORIES ON DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR TODAY, ONE ON THE LAUNCHING OF THE SOUTH-SOUTH COMMISSION AND THE OTHER HIS CALL FOR UNITY IN NAM. -- BERNAMA

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