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KUALA LUMPUR, APRIL 3.0 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR
~~MAHATHIR MOHAMAD HAS~~ URGED WORKERS AND TRADE UNIONS TO ENHANCE
PRODUCTIVITY TO ACHIEVE GREATER PROGRESS AND CREATE A GOOD
INVESTMENT CLIMATE IN THE COUNTRY.

IN HIS MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF WORKERS DAY **TOMORROW**, THE
PRIME MINISTER SAID LOCAL AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT WOULD HELP IN THE
COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC GROWTH AND OVERCOME THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM.

HE SAID WORKERS SHOULD NOT BE COHPLACENT OVER THE PRESENT LEVEL
OF ECONOMIC RECOVERY AS MUCH REMAINED TO BE DONE TO STRENGTHEN THE
NATIONAL ECONOMY.

+THE NATIONAL ECONOMY IS **GETTING** BETTER NEVERTHELESS THE
ECONOMIC RECESSION AND ITS EFFECTS WHICH WE HAVE GONE THROUGH SHOULD
SERVE AS A LESSON TO **US.**+

. IF THE MALAYSIAN ECONOMY CONTINUED TO ACHIEVE RAPID GROWTH AND
THE COUNTRY **BECAME** MORE **PROGRESSIVE**, WORKERS STAND TO-BENEFIT
DIRECTLY, HE SAID. -- MORE

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IN THIS **RESPECT**, HE DREW THE PEOPLE'S ATTENTION TO THE BENEFITS
ENJOYED BY THE WORKERS IN JAPAN AND OTHER NEWLY **INDUSTRIALISED**
ECONOMIES.

DATUK **SERI** DR HAHATHIR ALSO HOPED THAT THE PRESENT CORDIAL
RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND TRADE UNIONS
WOULD BE FURTHER ENHANCED FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTRY.

SUCH CLOSE RELATIONS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO MORE RAPID ECONOMIC
PROGRESS AND BENEFIT THE PEOPLE AS A WHOLE, HE ADDED.

THE PRIME MINISTER ALSO WANTED WORKERS AND MANAGEMENT TO
MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS.

EXTENDING GREETINGS TO WORKERS, DATUK SERI DR HAHATHIR SAID THE
WORKERS DAY CELEBRATIONS DEMONSTRATED RECOGNITION OF THEIR
CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNTRY'S **DEVELOPMENT** AND PROGRESS. -- BERNAMA
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