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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, AUG 3 (BERNAMA) -- MALAYSIA AND INDONESIA  
HAVE AGREED TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARDS EXPANDING THE USE OF NUCLEAR  
ENERGY TO MEET FUTURE ELECTRICITY NEEDS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

THE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED IN INFORMAL TALKS BETWEEN DATUK SERI  
DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD AND PRESIDENT SUHARTO HERE TODAY. THE TWO  
LEADERS ARE HERE TO ATTEND THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY THE SON OF THE  
SULTAN OF BRUNEI LAST NIGHT.

SPEAKING TO REPORTERS AFTER THE 90-MINUTE DISCUSSION! INDONESIAN  
MINISTER OF STATE SECRETARIAT MOERDIONO SAID THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD  
CARRY OUT FURTHER STUDIES ON THE MATTER.

HE SAID MALAYSIA FOUND INDONESIA TO HAVE THE EXPERIENCE TO  
UTILISE NUCLEAR ENERGY TO GENERATE ELECTRICITY. INDONESIA HAS A  
30-MEGAWATT NUCLEAR REACTOR AT SERPONG NEAR JAKARTA AND ANOTHER IN  
YOGJAKARTA.

ENCIK MOERDIONO SAID THE TWO COUNTRIES MIGHT FOCUS ON RESEARCH  
AND TRAINING SINCE THE FIELD OF GENERATING ELECTRICITY USING NUCLEAR  
ENERGY WAS RELATIVELY NEW TO INDONESIA.--MORE

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ALL THE OTHER ASEAN LEADERS --PHILIPPINES PRESIDENT CORAZON  
AQUINO, SINGAPORE'S PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW AND THAI PRIME  
MINISTER GENERAL TUN CHATICHAI CHOONHAVAN -- ALSO ATTENDED.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET PRESIDENT  
AQUINO AND ENCIK LEE TODAY.

ENCIK MOERDIONO ADDED THAT DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR EXPRESSED HIS  
WISH TO TO PRESIDENT SUHARTO TO VISIT INDONESIA'S BATAM ISLAND,  
SOUTH OF SINGAPORE WHICH IS BEING DEVELOPED INTO AN INDUSTRIAL  
AREA.

HE SAID THE DATES FOR THE VISIT HAVE NOT BEEN FIXED BUT IT WOULD  
TAKE PLACE SOON.

PRESIDENT SUHARTO AND DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR ALSO AGREED TO  
ENHANCE COOPERATION ON MANPOWER, PARTICULARLY ON THE ORDERLY ENTRY  
OF INDONESIAN WORKERS TO MALAYSIA.--MORE

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REGARDING PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S TALKS WITH ENCIK LEE KUAN YEW LAST  
NIGHT, ENCIK MOERDIONO SAID THEY AGREED TO MEET AGAIN IN BALI BY END  
OF THIS YEAR TO FURTHER DISCUSS THE KAMPUCHEAN ISSUE.

AS FOR PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S TALKS WITH PRESIDENT AQUINO, ENCIK  
HOERDIONO SAID THE PHILIPPINE LEADER EXPRESSED HER GRATITUDE TO  
INDONESIA FOR AGREEING TO PROVIDE A RICE LOAN OF 100,000 TONS TO THE  
PHILIPPINES, WHICH IS FACING A SHORTAGE DUE TO A POOR HARVEST.

HE SAID THE RICE WOULD BE DELIVERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

AFTER A LUNCHEON WITH THE SULTAN AT THE ISTANA NURUL IMAN, THE  
ASEAN LEADERS JOINED THE FOUR-KILOMETRE PROCESSION AROUND THE TOWN  
FOR THE CROWN PRINCE.

THE ASEAN LEADERS, EXCEPT FOR THE THAI PRIME MINISTER, WILL  
LEAVE FOR HOME LATER TODAY. GEN TUN CHATICHAI IS STOPPING OVER IN  
MALAYSIA.--BERNAMA

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