

Dr M's style impresses foreigners

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's easy going style with the press has won the admiration of foreign newsmen covering the general election.

Dr Mahathir posed freely for photographers when launching the Barisan Nasional manifesto at the Umno headquarters today.

A reporter from a neighbouring country covering the general election here for the first time remarked: "I cannot imagine this happening in my country, especially

what I have heard about him. Dr Mahathir is so responsive."

From what he had read, he said, the Prime Minister was supposed to be tough and unfriendly.

He was equally impressed by Dr Mahathir's willingness to allow the newsmen to crowd round him, asking more questions, after the press conference was over.

"Is he always like that? Back home, we have to wait for an official statement two days after a function attended by my Prime

Minister," he said.

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