

Mahathir: I just wanted to seek the truth.

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today that he sued the Far Eastern Economic Review (FEER) over the article on the alleged sale of Limbang because he wanted to seek the truth.

"What is important to me now is that the FEER has admitted that the report was unfounded," he said.

Dr Mahathir said he was not interested in the money but in the truth, adding that his aim had been achieved.

Yesterday, the FEER agreed in an out-of-court settlement to publish a retraction and an apology to Dr Mahathir over the article.

The Prime Minister had filed a suit against the magazine and editor Derek Davies over the article *Sarawak Sale?* which was published on May 21, 1987. The article claimed that Dr Mahathir had discussed the possible sale to Brunei in March 1987.

There was no order as to the damages but the defendant will pay \$50,000 as agreed costs.