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SSB CONDITIONS WILL NOT BE CHANGED

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KUALA LUMPUK, Jan 23/ (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today the **service conditions** offered to government servants under the New Remuneration Scheme will not be changed except in cases of anomalies.

+The conditions are fixed,+ said the Prime Minister when asked to comment on the call by the National Joint Council (Staff Side) for Statutory Bodies that the government review the implementation of the new salary system for the public sector.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir, who is also chairman of the special Cabinet committee which drew up the SSB, said the government had made a careful study before deciding on implementing the scheme.

+We had studied (the matter) for a year and **taken** into account all views and memoranda from them,+ he told reporters after calling on Vietnamese Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet to wish him farewell.

Encik Kiet ends a four-day official visit to Malaysia today. -- more

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Besides the NJC's memorandum, the Cabinet committee **also** studied those of Cuepacs and several other trade unions.

The NJC (Staff side) for Statutory Bodies, in calling for **the review**, said **there** were elements of unfairness in the SSB especially **the big difference** in pay increase between employees in the subordinate and **superscale** groups including special allowances for **superscale officers**.

The prime minister said: **+Where** is there a salary adjustment that is fair to all. **If** there are people who can make it fairer that this, then do it.

+But do not do it for higher payment only'because the government has no money,+ he said.

+There are bound to be those who do not agree (with the SSB) but generally many agree,+ he added. -- more

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To implement the SSB, the government had to fork **out an** additional \$1,120 million for 1992 alone and \$7,185 million for the first five years of its implementation.

Datuk' Seri Dr Mahathir said the government was prepared to consider any claims of anomalies resulting from the implementation of the new system.

Such claims could be submitted the the Public Services Tribunal.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir was accompanied by his wife, **Datuk** Seri Datin Paduka Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, on the visit. -- Bernama

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