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MAHATHIR HOPES LIMA '95 WILL BE EVEN BIGGER

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LANGKAWI, Dec 9 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad tonight hoped that the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition in 1995 would be even bigger than this year's event.

He also invited participants of Lima '93 to come again in future with more sophisticated and expensive hardware.

"Clearly Lima '93 is more successful than Lima '91," he said during an appreciation dinner for all participants and workers of Lima '93 here.

Dr Mahathir thanked all concerned for making the biennial event a success and hoped that such cooperation would be continued in future.

"For us in Malaysia, the important thing is that the event has succeeded in generating wide interest and promoting Malaysia to the outside world and Langkawi as an ideal tourist destination," he said. --more

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He said originally the exhibition was meant to display only light aircraft but since then it had turned into a major air show.

Dr Mahathir was confident that the participants had benefitted from the exhibition in terms of business deals for their respective products.

Some 1,000 people attended the reception. Also present was the Prime Minister's wife Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and other cabinet ministers.

The Kedah cultural group and orchestra entertained the guests with various performances. ---Bernama.

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