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DR MAHATHIR OPENS FIRST G15 TRADE EXHIBITION

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 1 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today opened the first ever G15 Trade Exhibition at the Mines Exhibition Centre here.

A total of 144 companies from G15 countries are represented at the exhibition being held in conjunction with the seventh summit of the grouping.

Also taking part in the five-day exhibition are eight Malaysian companies with business operations in the G15 countries.

A wide range of products including chemicals, steel and iron, automotive component parts, industrial equipment, textile and plastic products are being showcased at the exhibition.

At the same venue, 93 Malaysian companies and agencies are represented at the Malaysian Products Exhibition '97 which is aimed at promoting Made-in-Malaysia goods.

International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Dr Rafidah Aziz was also present at the function.

G15 comprises Algeria, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Egypt, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, Senegal, Venezuela and Zimbabwe. Kenya will be admitted as the 16th member during the summit, beginning on Monday. -- BERNAMA

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