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(Gathering of great minds ... )

GATHERING OF GREAT MINDS ... Dr Mahathir with some members of the International Advisory Panel for the Multimedia Super Corridor, as well as corporate and senior Malaysian Government officials, at the IAP's first meeting in Palo Alto, California, yesterday.

Present were:

Front row, from left: Robert Madge, chairman and CEO of Madge Networks; Jim Manzi, CEO of Nets Inc; Prof William Miller from Stanford Graduate School of Business and CEO of Smart Valley; Masayoshi Son, president and CEO of Softbank; Dr Mahathir; Ambassador Diana Lady Dougan, senior adviser for the Centre for Strategic and International Studies; Dr Kenichi Ohmae, Chancellor's Professor at the University of California at Los Angeles and visiting professor at Stanford University; Noboru Miyawaki, senior executive vice-president of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone and Koo Bon Moo, chairman of LG Group;

Middle row, from left: Nobuyuki Idei, president and CEO of Sony Corp; Lynton Ronald Wilson, chairman, president and CEO of BCE Inc; Robert Bishop, chairman of Silicon Graphics World Trade Corp; Fred Gluck, vice-chairman of the Bechtel Group; Masanobu Suzuki, executive vice-president of NTT (not a member);

Back row, from left: Lewis Platt, chairman, president and CEO of Hewlett-Packard; Gary Tooker, chairman of Motorola; Lester Alberthal, chairman, president and CEO of EDS Corp; Philip Odeen, president and CEO of BDM International; Penang Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon (not a member); Energy, Telecommunications and Posts Minister Datuk Leo Moggie (not a member); A. Michael Spence, dean of Stanford Graduate School of Business; Scott McNealy, chairman, president and CEO of Sun Microsystems Inc, and Jack Wadesworth, MD of Morgan Stanley Asia (not a member).

Other IAP members at the meeting were Multimedia Development Corporation executive chairman Tan Sri Dr Othman Yeop Abdullah; James Barksdale, president and CEO of Netscape Communications Corp; Larry Ellison, president and CEO of Oracle Corp; Stan Shih, chairman and CEO of the Acer Group, and Eckhard Pfeiffer, president and CEO of Compaq Computer.

IAP members who could not attend the meeting were Gilbert Amelio, chairman and CEO of Apple Computer; Bill Gates, CEO of Microsoft Corp; Louis Gerstner, CEO of IBM; Dr Heinrich von Pierer, chairman of Siemens Corp; Tadashi Sekizawa, president of Fujitsu, and Alvin Toffler, founder of Toffler & Associates.

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