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REPORT TRUTH ACCURATELY, TOK MAT TELLS MEDIA

BANGI, April 24 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's recent comments that the media report the truth and be accurate should be given appropriate attention, Information Minister Datuk Mohamed Rahmat said today.

He said baseless reports had cause tension, referring to the Malaysia-Britain relations some time ago.

"We are aware that sensational news will attract readers and boost sales but can also lead to negative effects," he said opening the Second Round Table conference here.

The text of his speech was read out by his deputy Datuk Suleiman Mohamad.

He said the mass media must be responsible for materials published.

The round-table conference this time around dealt with media transparency and social ills among youths.

It was organised by Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia's International Centre for Media Studies.

Mohamed lauded such discussion which would be helpful to government's efforts in tackling social problems among youths. -- BERNAMA

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