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UMNO GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENDS

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 7 (Bernama) -- The 1997 Umno General Assembly held over the past three days at the Merdeka Hall of the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here ended today.

Chaired by party permanent chairman Tan Sri Sulaiman Ninam Shah and his deputy Tan Sri Shoib Haji Ahmad, it passed three motions on the presidential address, religion and economy.

Delegates debating the motions touched on current issues especially threats to the national economy and priorities in Islam.

The assembly, this time around, carried the theme "Noble Virtues for a Successful Society".

Winding-up of the debate started with Supreme Council members, Kedah Menteri Besar Tan Sri Sanusi Junid, Entrepreneur Development Minister Datuk Mustapa Mohamed and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Dr Abdul Hamid Othman.

They were followed by vice-president and Education Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and Deputy President and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

Party president and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad concluded the winding-up.

Earlier, Sulaiman also launched fund-raising for the "Sarang Bangun Foundation" to help orphans and widows of Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) fighters in Mindanao, Southern Philippines.

Collection from the assembly totalled RM23,000.

More than 2,500 people, including 1,905 delegates, attended the assembly. -- BERNAMA

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