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`National will continue as market leader'

THE National brand name will continue to be the market leader in consumer electronics despite tough competition from other makes and an economic slowdown.

Outgoing National Panasonic (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd managing director Shuhei Ogata expressed this confidence at a dinner held in his honour in Kuala Lumpur on Thursday.

The function was also to welcome his successor, Bunroku Morioka.

Ogata thanked business associates for their continuous support during his tenure as the managing director.

He said Malaysia would sail through the current slowdown comfortably under the leadership of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Morioka, in his speech, said he hoped to continue and maintain the high standards set by his predecessors.

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