

1. IPOH: The Love Malaysia, Buy Malaysian campaign has gained momentum with the MCA's completion of a list of companies which produce locally-made goods. - PAGE 1

2. KUALA LUMPUR: The United States sees Malaysia as the country in Asia that will be the fastest to regain foreign investor confidence following the region's currency problems, US Ambassador to Malaysia John R. Malott said yesterday. - PAGE 1

3. KUALA LUMPUR: The move to standardise parking rates - also seen as a mechanism eventually to make charges high enough to limit cars entering the city - got under way on Tuesday when City Hall called operators for a meeting to brief them and get their feedback. - PAGE 1

4. MALACCA: Umno members have been reminded to follow strictly the party's procedures and ethics to ensure that the branch and divisional meetings are convened smoothly and in the best possible manner. - PAGE 2

5. KOTA BARU: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is expected to chair a meeting of the Kelantan Umno liaison committee here today (Monday). - PAGE 2 -- more

6. KUALA LUMPUR: Twenty-nine people were killed in 805 road accidents nationwide yesterday, the highest number of fatalities since Ops Statik was launched on Wednesday. - PAGE 4

7. KUALA TERENGGANU: The express bus service operated by Naeila Express has been interrupted following the decision by 80 drivers of the company to stop work until they are paid their two months' salary. - PAGE 4

8. KUALA LUMPUR: The economic downturn has begun to hit Malaysian newspapers, forcing some to cut the number of pages in face of higher newsprint cost due to the depreciation of the ringgit and shrinking advertising revenues. - PAGE 5

9. ALOR STAR: The State Government and the Malay Rice Millers Association of Malaysia have supported Padiberas Nasional Berhad's 5,000-tonne maximum padi purchase ruling on its purchasing centres. - PAGE 6

10. PETALING JAYA: The corporatised University Hospital has become unaffordable to most people as the cost of medical treatment has increased between 150 and 200 per cent, Malaysian Trades Union Congress president Zainal Rampak said yesterday. - PAGE 6 -- more

11. GOPENG: The Government is confident that the current economic situation will not result in abandoned housing projects like that experienced during the recession of the mid-1980s. - PAGE 6

12. KUALA LUMPUR: The currency problem being faced by Malaysia is a blessing in disguise for Mara as the agency will be able to sponsor more students locally. - PAGE 8

13. IPOH: Health Minister Datuk Chua Jui Meng has appealed to the public to donate blood to top up the blood bank's supply for the festive season. - PAGE 12

14. KUALA LUMPUR: Banks and financial institutions now have "more flexibility" to approve loans for development projects for houses priced below RM150,000, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said. - PAGE 17

15. KUALA LUMPUR: More Malaysians are flocking to South America actively in search of business deals after Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's visits to the region in 1991 and last year. - PAGE 17

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