

SARAWAK NEWSPAPERS HIGHLIGHTS, JAN 23, 1998, FRIDAY
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SARAWAK TRIBUNE:

1. PETALING JAYA: Malaysia's motor vehicle sales are expected to plunge by 60 percent this year due to the credit squeeze following the economic and financial downturn, the Malaysian Motor Traders Association (MMTA) said yesterday. PAGE 1

2. KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said yesterday the question of him stepping down did not arise because the government works as a team in tackling the country's economic woes. Page 1

3. KOTA KINABALU: Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim yesterday repeated his call for the people, especially the business circle, not only to have full faith in the country's local banks but the entirety of the system. Page 2

4. SIBU: Minister for Science, Technology and Environment Datuk Law Hieng Ding yesterday says poorly maintained engines are the culprits behind excessive smoke emissions. Page 6

THE BORNEO POST:

1. KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir says Malaysia does not face any liquidity problems this year. Page 1

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3. KUCHING: The State Immigration Department's drive to register illegal foreign workers has so far met with poor response. Page 2

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THE PEOPLE'S MIRROR:

1. KUCHING: Often under very stressful conditions (in moving traffic, that's why), driving instructors have to stay cool and collected to teach, coach, tutor and instruct... whatever, so that licence chasers could get the traffic laws imbedded in their heads and drive reasonably well without killing someone. Page 1

2. SIBU: Polystyrene beads, normally used for packaging purposes, may be the best answer to eradicate Aedes mosquitoes, the cause of the deadly dengue fever by driving them out of their breeding places like septic tanks. Page 6

3. KUALA LUMPUR: The government is worried over the people's ignorance of what is meant by a healthy lifestyle Health Minister, Datuk Chua Jui Meng said yesterday. Page 9

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2. KUCHING: The Sarawak State Prison has to cancel its plan to allow inmates to perform hari raya prayer with their family in the prison compound as the department does not have enough staff and for security reason. Page 3

3. KOTA KINABALU: Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has repeated his call for the people, especially the business circle, not only to have full faith in the country's local banks but the entirety of the system. Page 8

4. KUANTAN: The Public Services Department (PSD) scholars will not be sent overseas from this year. Instead, the students will be placed at local institutions of higher learning, Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Fauzi Abdul Rahman said. Page 9

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