

Proton welcomes German offer

KUALA LUMPUR: Perusahaan Otomobil Nasional Bhd (Proton) has welcomed the offer by DaimlerChrysler to create strategic alliances with the national car manufacturer.

A Proton spokesman said the company was open to exploring co-operation that would be advantageous for Proton's product development plans.

The spokesman said the opportunity for technical co-operation

with other technology providers in the automotive engineering areas and manufacturing would be among the ways to improve and enhance the production of Proton cars.

DaimlerChrysler's intention was stated by its top official, Dr Manfred Bischoff, when he briefed Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who visited the Mercedes Benz plant in Germany on Sunday.

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