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KL, Lesotho police to swap info

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Police will exchange intelligence with their counterparts in Lesotho to tackle the dadah menace.

"They (Lesotho) face a similar problem as we do, and such exchange of intelligence would benefit both countries," Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Norian Mai said today.

Norian said police would provide the African country with knowledge of the system in place here to tackle the dadah menace.

The IGP said this after receiving Lesotho's Minister of Home Affairs Motsiohoe Thomas Thanabe at the Federal police headquarters in Bukit Aman.

Also present were deputy IGP Tan Sri Jamil Johari, senior police officers, and members of Thanabe's delegation which included Commissioner of Police J.S Malewa and Director of Police Directorate L. Ntlhoki.

"We are planning to improve Lesotho's police force and are looking at the organisational structure of the Royal Malaysian Police force and its roles and functions," Thanabe said.

"We intend to work closely with Malaysia as crime and terrorism work in the same way globally.

"Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has called for smart partners to work in win-win situations and I believe that the Malaysian police have very high standards in training and organising."

When asked whether he plans to send his policemen for training in Malaysia, Motsiohoe said: "I would be happy if the Malaysian police could come to Lesotho to train our men."

Thanabe would visit the Senior Police Officers' College in Cheras, police's forensic laboratory, the Police Training Centre in Jalan Semarak and the Royal Police Museum.